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Wer die Schönheit angeschaut mit Augen,

Ist dem Tode schon anheimgegeben,

Wird für keinen Dienst auf Erden taugen,

Und doch wird er vor dem Tode beben,

Wer die Schönheit angeschaut mit Augen !

Whoever has gazed at beauty eye to eye
Is given over, signed and sealed, to Death,
Is useless here while drawing earthly breath
Though he may tremble while he fears to die,
Whoever has gazed at beauty eye to eye!

August von Platen, Tristan

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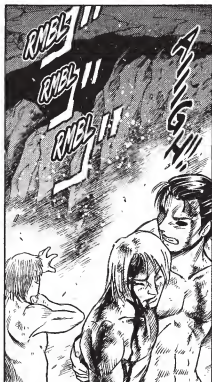


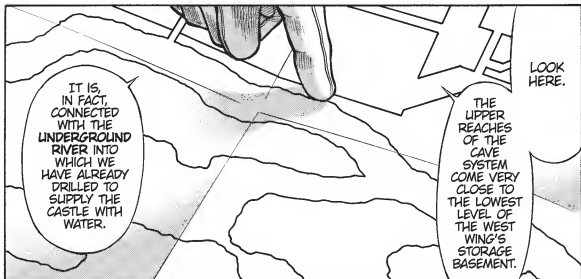
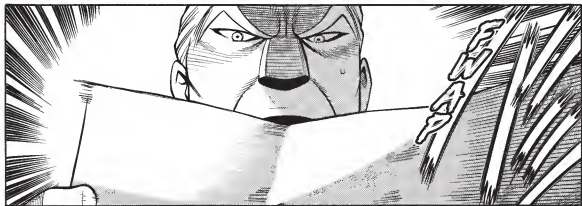
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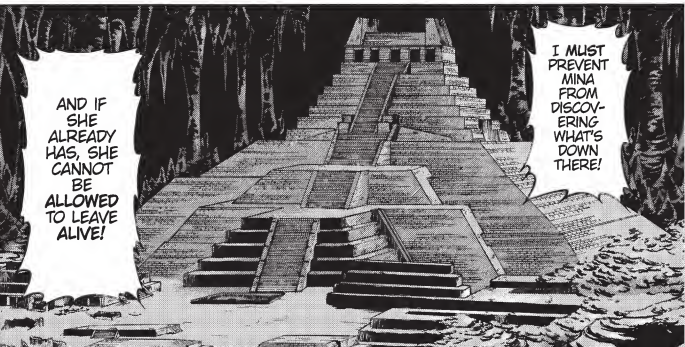
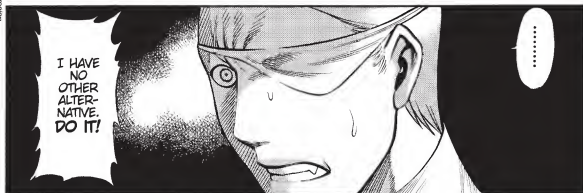
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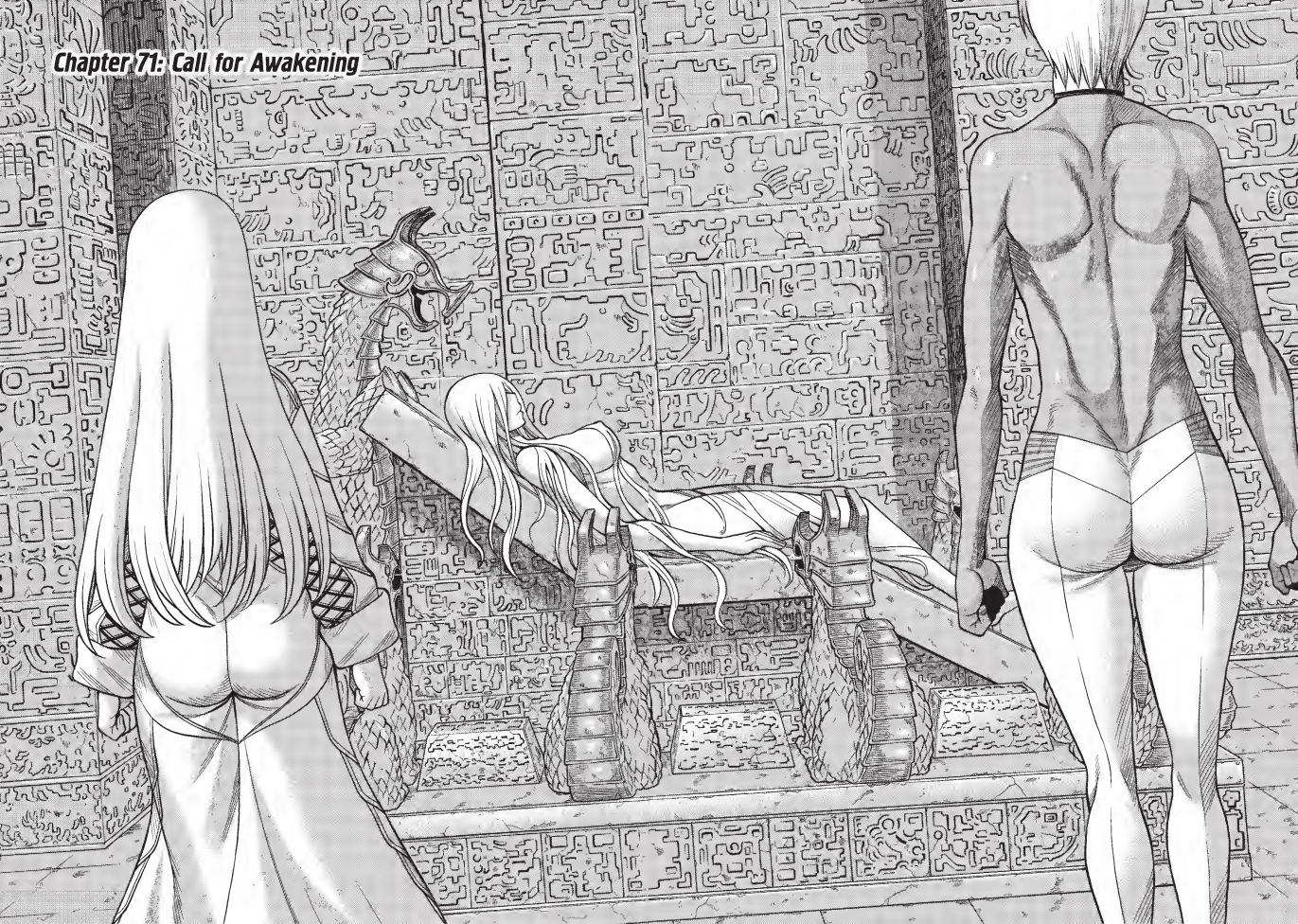








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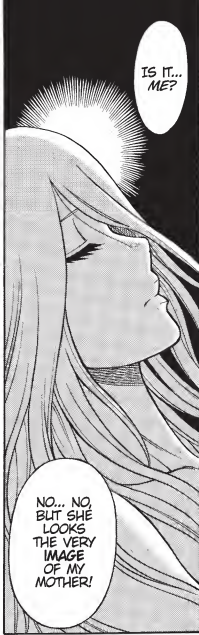




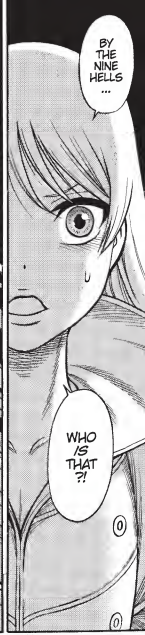
THIS, YOUR
MAJESTY,
IS THE
DAUGHTER
OF THE
FATHER OF
ALL
VAMPIRES.

ALLOW
ME TO
INTRO-
DUCE
YOU.

SHE IS THE
ORIGINAL
QUEEN OF
THE
VAMPIRES.



IS IT...
ME?



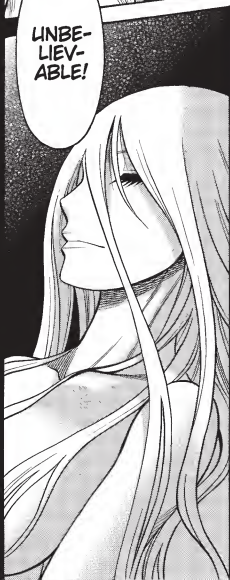
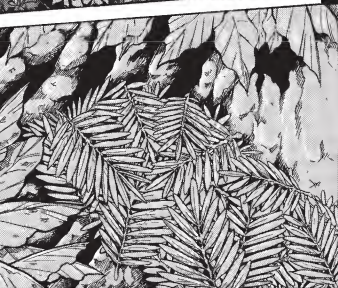
BY
THE
NINE
HELLS
...

WHO
IS
THAT
?!

NO... NO,
BUT SHE
LOOKS
THE VERY
IMAGE
OF MY
MOTHER!



OF
COURSE
SHE DOES.
SHE'S
YOUR GREAT
GRAND-
MOTHER,
MANY
TIMES
OVER.







THAT WAS
WHEN I
BEGAN MY
FRANTIC
SEARCH.

HE WAS
DESPERATE
TO REVIVE
THE TRUE
ROYAL LINE...
THE LINE HE
BELIEVED
BROKEN WITH
YOUR BIRTH.

THE ONLY
SOLUTION
HE COULD
FIND WAS
HIDDEN IN
MYTH.

THERE
HAD TO BE
A WAY TO
PRESERVE THE
SANCTITY OF
THE ROYAL LINE.
THE PURITY
OF THE TRUE
BLOOD HAD TO
BE RETAINED,
NO MATTER
WHAT THE
COST!

!

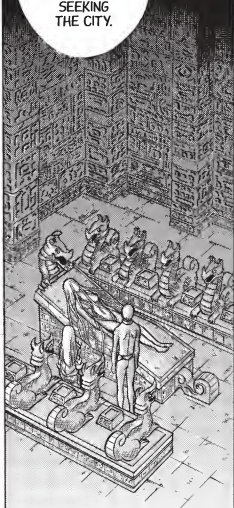
IN THE
END, HE
FOUND
IT WAS
ALL
TRUE.

THE
NECROP-
OLIS.
HER.

THEY
ALL
EXISTED.

ROZEN-
MANN WAS
THE FIRST
TO FIND
THIS
PLACE.

HE SPENT
CENTURIES,
SEARCHING
THROUGH EVERY
SCRAP OF LORE
FROM EVERY
CULTURE IN
THE WORLD,
SEEKING
THE CITY.





IT WAS YOUR--NO, TELOMERE'S OBJECTIVE FROM THE VERY BEGINNING, WASN'T IT?

THIS CITY...

THAT IS QUITE A LOT OF DETAILED INFORMATION YOU HAVE.

.....

SO HE BUILT A CASTLE DIRECTLY ABOVE THIS CITY, AND DEVOTED EVERYTHING HE HAD TO RESEARCH.



!

HEY !!

IT WAS A LUCKY BREAK FOR ME WHEN YOU SHOWED UP.

MAY-BE.

I WENT THROUGH A LOT OF TROUBLE TO GET IN HERE, YOU KNOW. IT WAS VERY FRUSTRATING WHEN I FOUND OUT I COULDN'T GET PAST THE LAST DOOR.

AND THE RESULT OF ALL THAT PAINSTAKING WORK? WELL...

AND I FOUND A WAY.

.....



BESIDES, IT'S NOT LIKE SHE CAN FEEL ANYTHING.

RELAX. I ONLY TOOK A SMALL BLOOD SAMPLE.

I FOUND A KEY, AND I USED IT... UNKNOWNING OF THE HELL THAT IT WOULD UNLEASH.

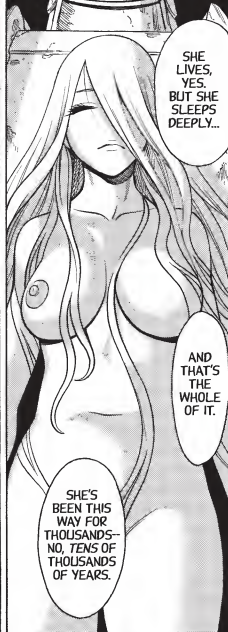


WHO KNOWS?

ALL THE LEGENDS SAY IS THAT SOMETIME IN THE ANCIENT PAST, HER FATHER JUST UP AND DISAPPEARED ONE DAY.



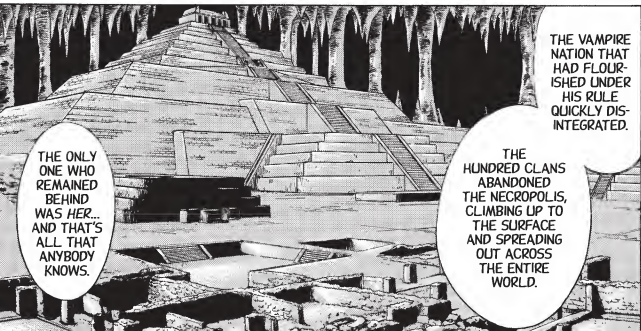
WHY? WHO DID THIS TO HER?



SHE LIVES, YES. BUT SHE SLEEPS DEEPLY...

AND THAT'S THE WHOLE OF IT.

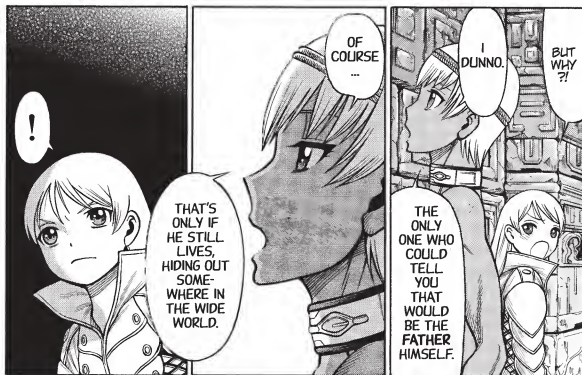
SHE'S BEEN THIS WAY FOR THOUSANDS—NO, TENS OF THOUSANDS OF YEARS.

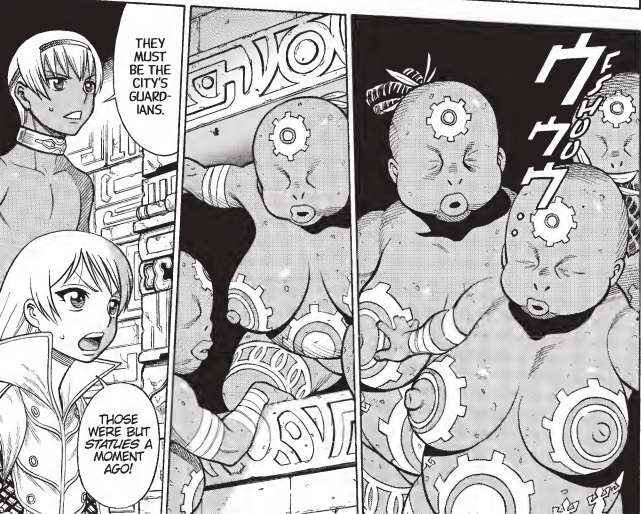
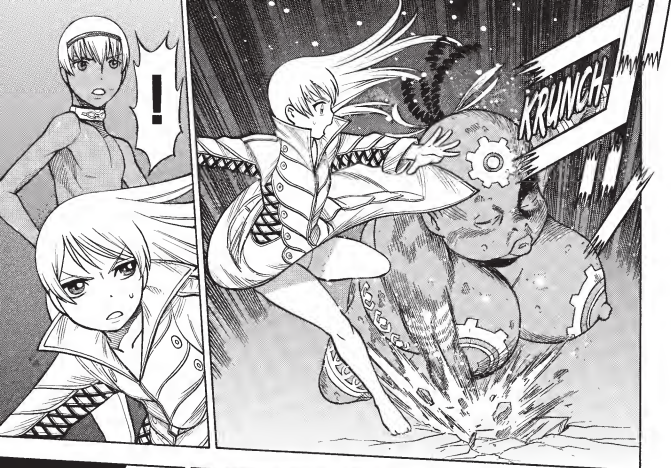


THE ONLY ONE WHO REMAINED BEHIND WAS HER... AND THAT'S ALL THAT ANYBODY KNOWS.

THE VAMPIRE NATION THAT HAD FLOURISHED UNDER HIS RULE QUICKLY DIS-INTEGRATED.

THE HUNDRED CLANS ABANDONED THE NECROPOLIS, CLIMBING UP TO THE SURFACE AND SPREADING OUT ACROSS THE ENTIRE WORLD.





THEY
MUST
BE THE
CITY'S
GUARD-
IANS.

THOSE
WERE BUT
STATUES A
MOMENT
AGO!

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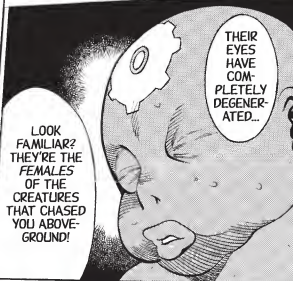
A
RACE
OF
PRIM-
EVAL
VAM-
PIRES!

AN ENTIRE
RACE THAT'S
GROWN AND
THRIVED IN
THE UTTER
DARKNESS
OF THESE
CAVES...



THEY
MUST HAVE
WOKEN
WHEN YOU
SHED YOUR
BLOOD AT
THE DOOR.

LOOK!



THEIR
EYES
HAVE
COM-
PLETELY
DEGENER-
ATED...

LOOK
FAMILIAR?
THEY'RE THE
FEMALES
OF THE
CREATURES
THAT CHASED
YOU ABOVE-
GROUND!





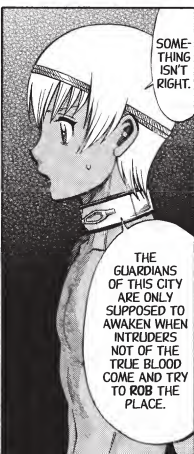
AKI-
RA'S.



PRINCESS,
HAVE YOU
DRUNK
ANYTHING
IN THE
LAST 24
HOURS?

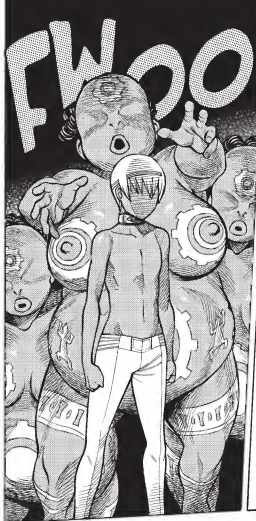


YES,
I HAD
BLOOD...



SOME-
THING
ISN'T
RIGHT.

THE
GUARDIANS
OF THIS CITY
ARE ONLY
SUPPOSED TO
AWAKEN WHEN
INTRUDERS
NOT OF THE
TRUE BLOOD
COME AND TRY
TO ROB THE
PLACE.



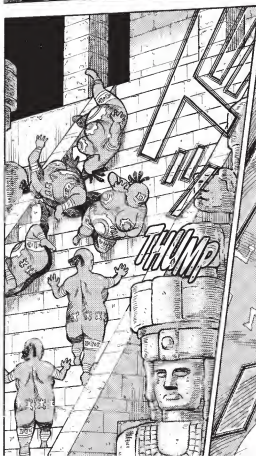
I WAS
TERRIBLY
WEAKENED,
AND AKIRA
SACRIFICED
HIMSELF TO
GIVE ME
BLOOD.

YES...



NO...

YOU
DRANK
AKIRA'S
BLOOD
?!





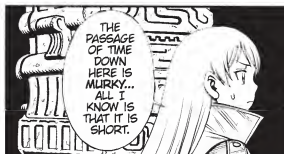
YOUR BLOOD
THAT OPENED
THE DOOR
MUST'VE HAD
TRACES OF
AKIRA'S BLOOD
IN IT. THAT
AWAKENED
THE
GUARDIANS!

NH...



THEN
THAT
MUST
BE
WHY.

WHEN THE
NECROPOLIS
WAS BUILT,
THE VAMPIRE
NATION WAS
STILL AT WAR
WITH THE
WEREWOLVES.



THE
PASSAGE
OF TIME
DOWN
HERE IS
MURKY...
ALL I
KNOW IS
THAT IT IS
SHORT.



NEVER
MIND THAT...
HOW LONG
DOES AKIRA
HAVE
BEFORE THE
POINT OF NO
RETURN?



I KNOW
YOU
DESPISE
ME, BUT
AKIRA IS
IMPORTANT
TO YOU...

IF
NOTHING
ELSE,
DO IT
FOR
HIM!
PLEASE
!!

AS
IMPOR-
TANT
AS HE
IS TO
ME!



HOW
DARE
YOU
EVEN
ASK ME
THAT?!

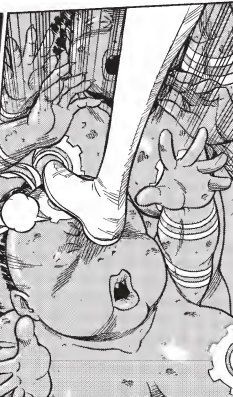
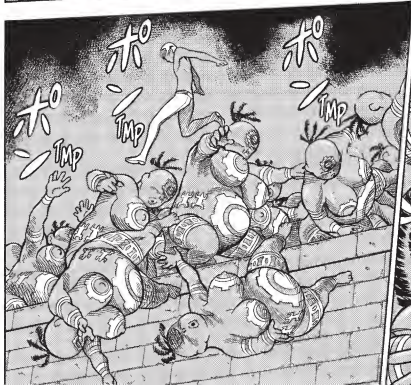
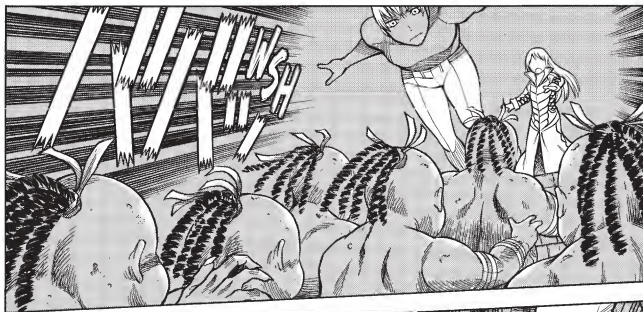
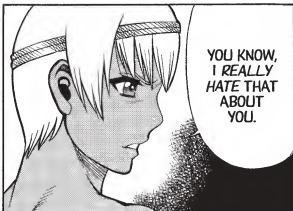
I HAVE
NO
CHOICE
!

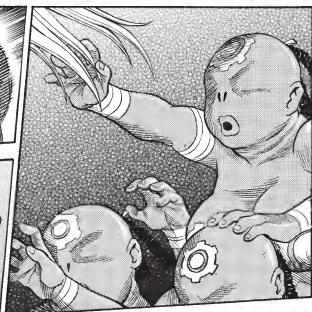
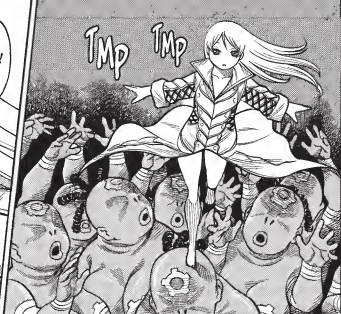


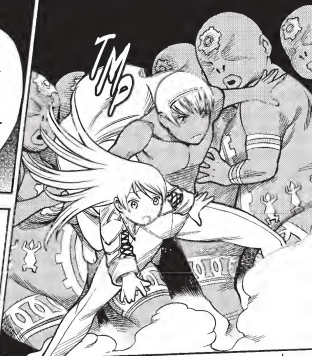
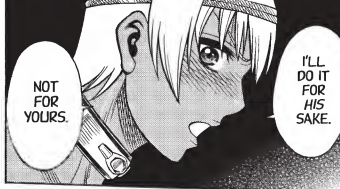
ANGIE,
PLEASE!

HELP
ME
FOR
AKIRA'S
SAKE!

HELP
ME!



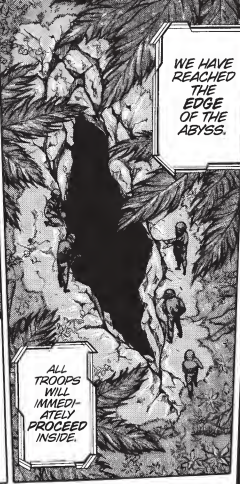






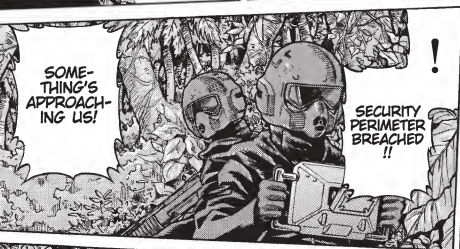
GOD,
THAT'S
NAR-
ROW.

TELL ME
ABOUT IT...
HOW THE
HELL ARE WE
SUPPOSED
TO GET
EVERYBODY
DOWN THAT
WITH ANY
SPEED AT
ALL?



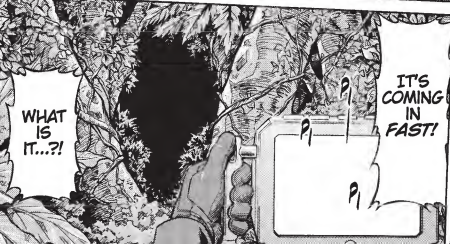
WE HAVE
REACHED
THE
EDGE
OF THE
ABYSS.

ALL
TROOPS
WILL
IMME-
DIATE-
LY
PROCEED
INSIDE.



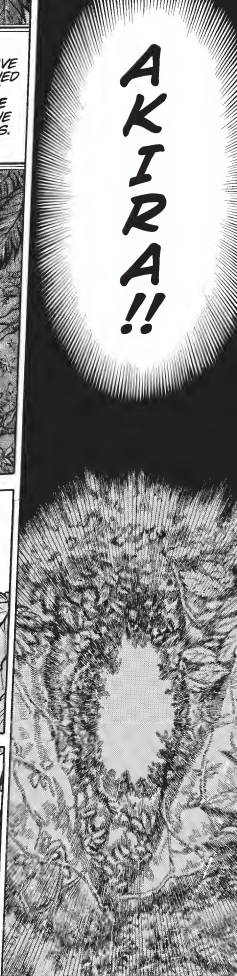
SOME-
THING'S
APPROACH-
ING US!

!
SECURITY
PERIMETER
BREACHED
!!

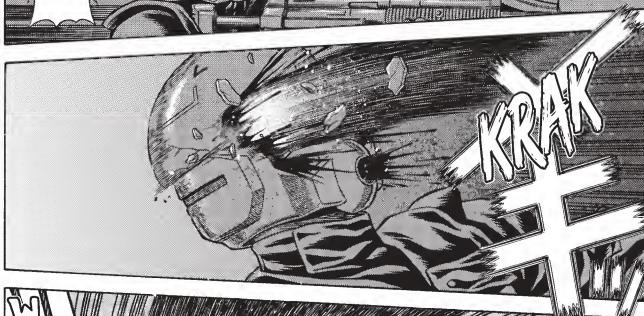
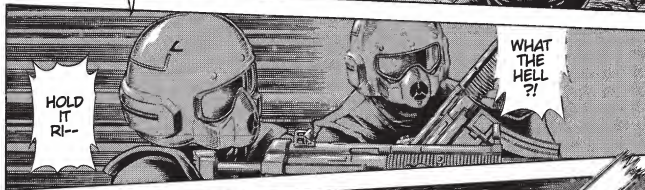


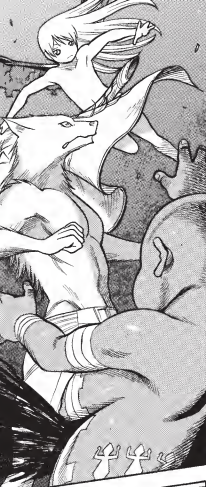
WHAT
IS
IT...?!

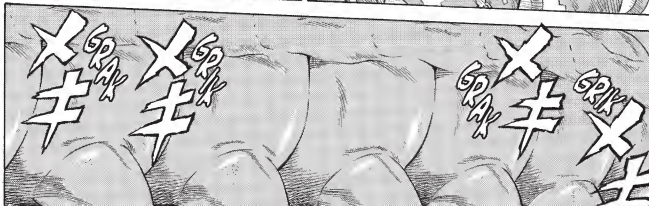
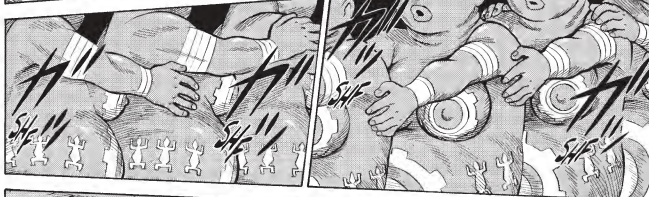
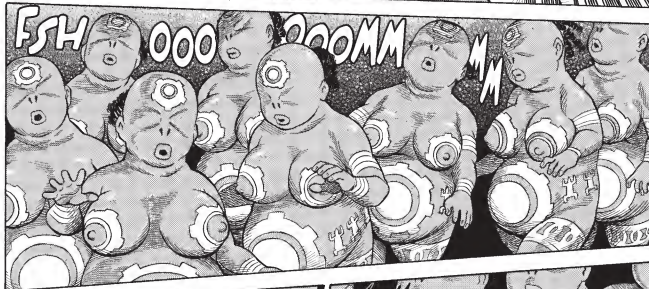
IT'S
COMING
IN
FAST!

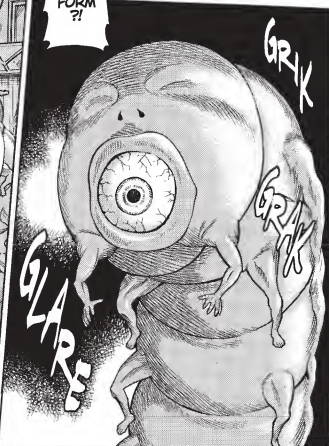
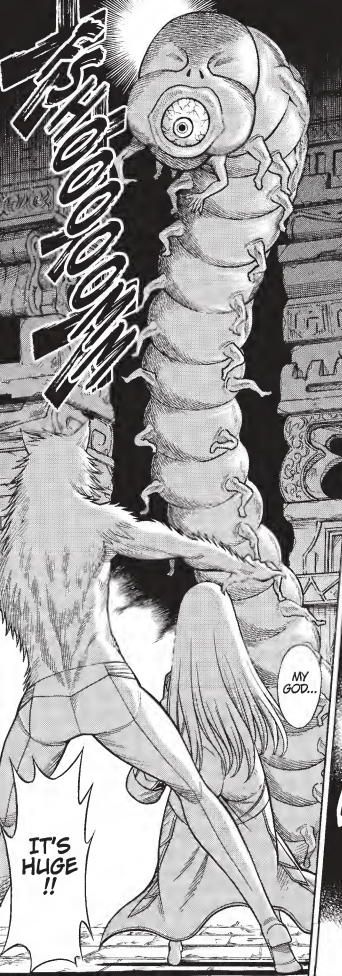


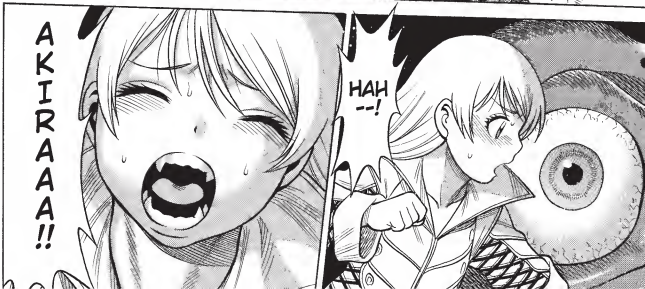
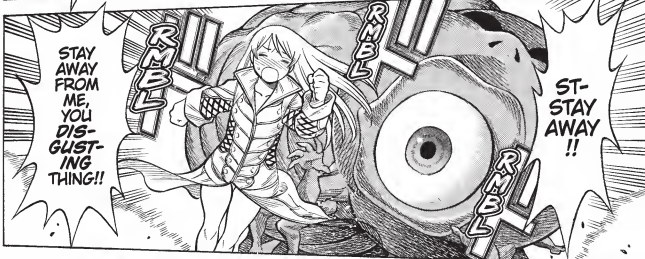
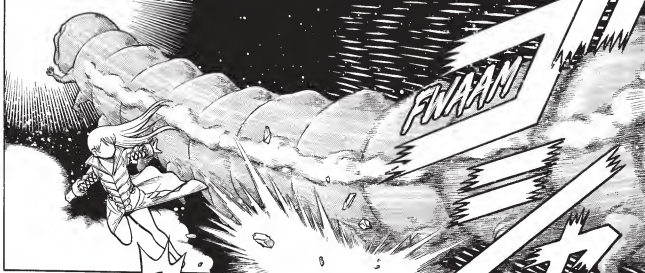
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K
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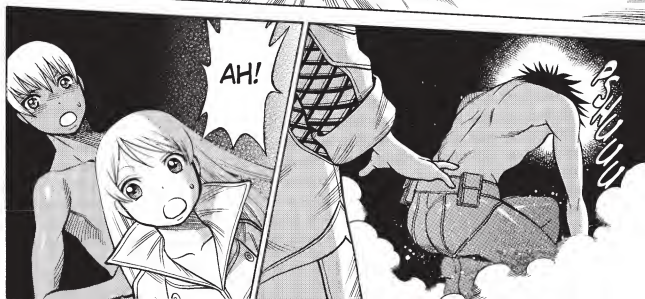
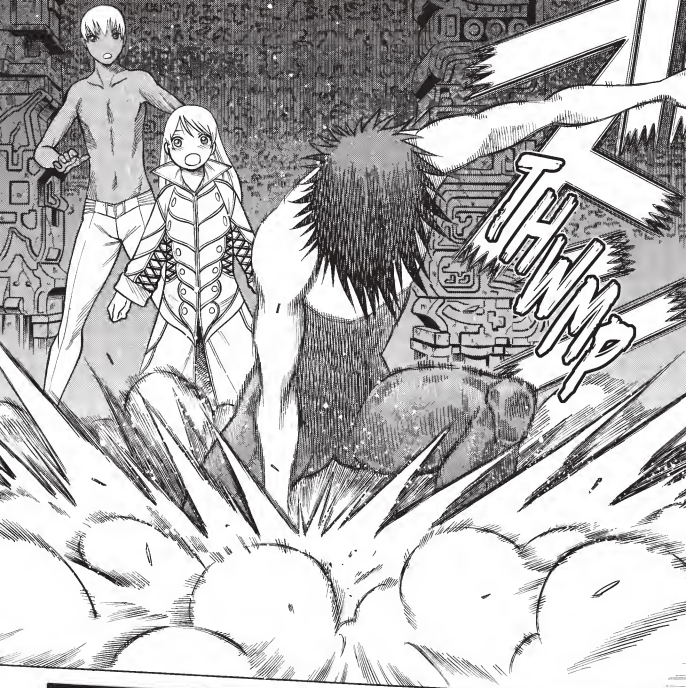


A WOLF
HOWL...?

BUT
...

I'VE NEVER
HEARD ONE
LIKE
THAT
BEFORE.







AKIRA?!

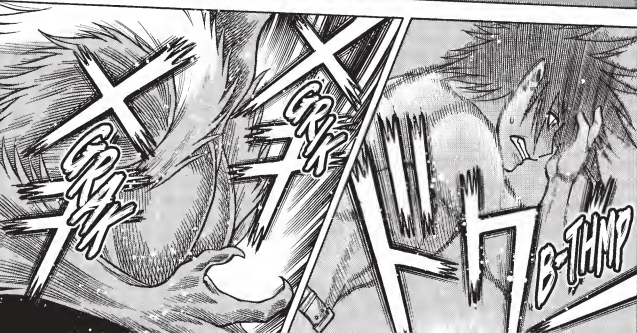
WHAT
ARE YOU
DOING
HERE?!
YOU
SHOULD
BE--



I'LL
CLEAN
UP
THIS
THING.

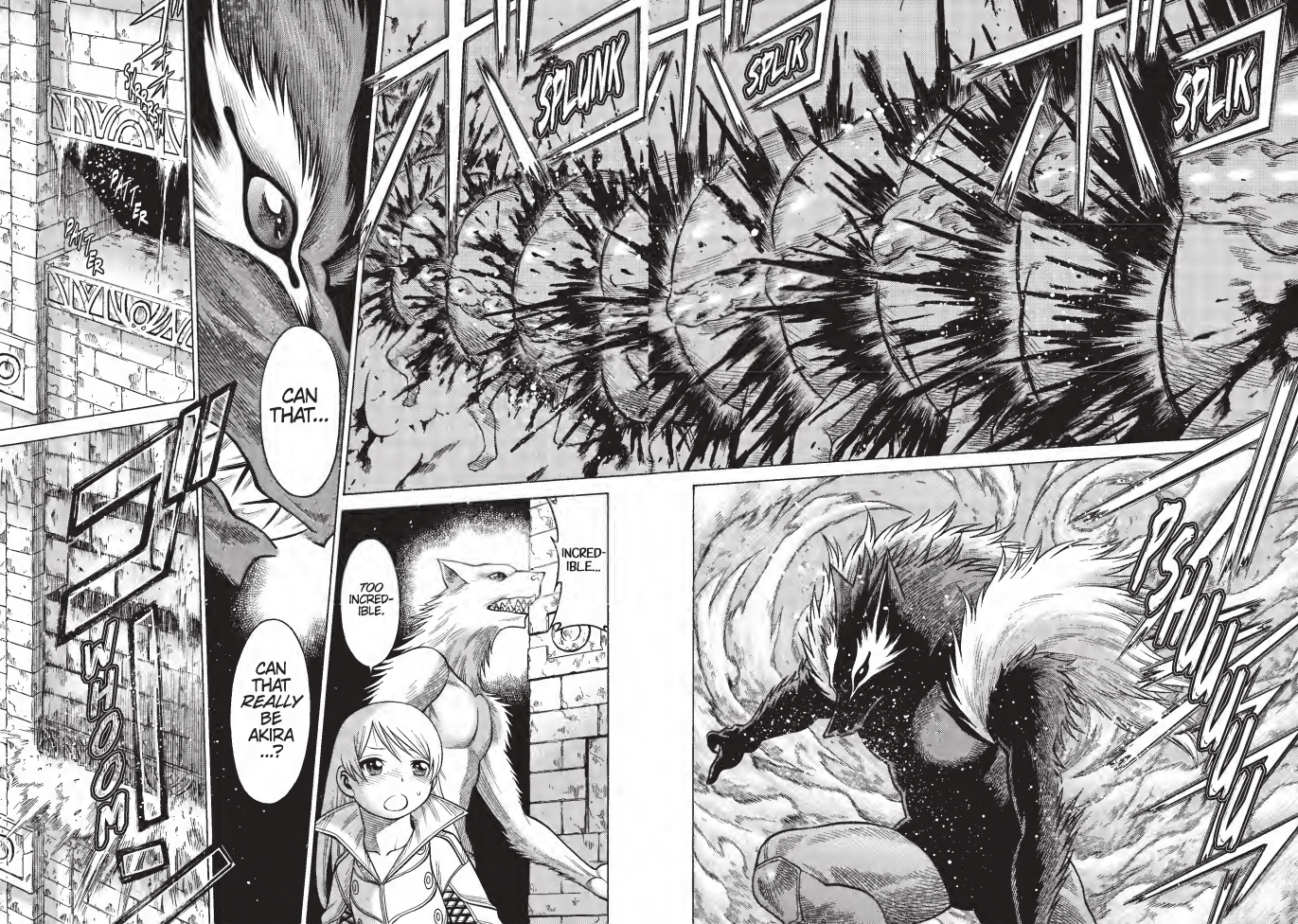


GIVE ME
A MINUTE,
HIME-SAN.









CAN THAT...

TOO INCRED-
IBLE.

CAN THAT REALLY
BE AKIRA
...?

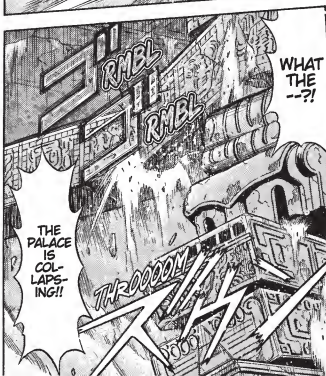
INCRED-
IBLE...

SPLINK

SPLINK

SPLINK

PSHUUU





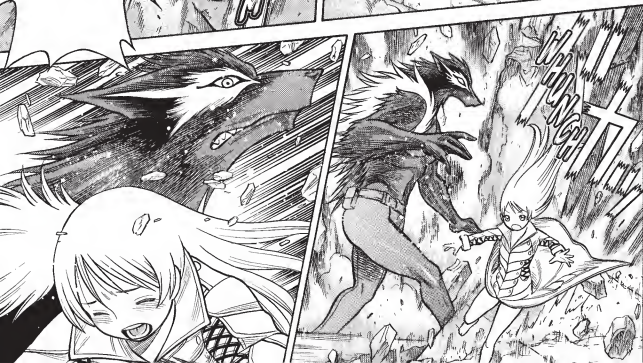
THE PALACE
ITSELF IS
ITS OWN
LAST LINE
OF DEFENSE.
WHEN THE
GUARDIANS
FAIL, IT
AUTOMATI-
CALLY BEGINS
TO FALL
APART...

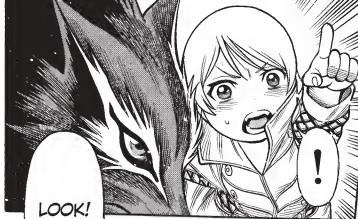
CRUSHING
THE
INTRUDERS
BENEATH
IT!!



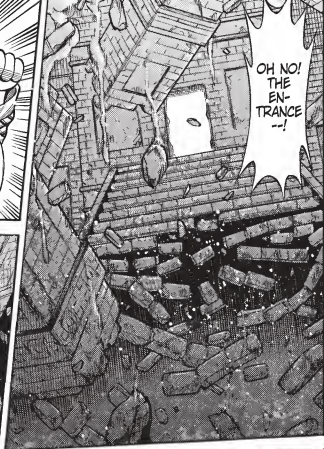
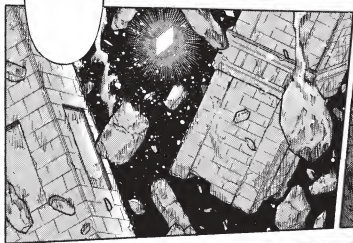
OH,
NOW THAT'S
DEVIOUS. NOT
ONLY WERE
THOSE STATUES
THE PALACE'S
GUARDIANS,
THEY MUST
HAVE ALSO
BEEN ITS
KEYSTONES!

THIS WHOLE
STRUCTURE
COULD ONLY
HOLD ITSELF UP
FOR SO LONG
WITHOUT THEM
IN PLACE. SINCE
THEY DIDN'T
RETURN, IT'S
STARTING TO
BUCKLE UNDER
ITS OWN WEIGHT!





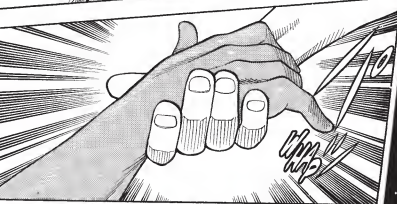
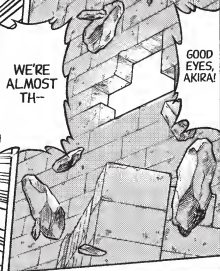
LOOK!



OH NO!
THE
EN-
TRANCE
--!



ANGIE,
FOLLOW
ME!



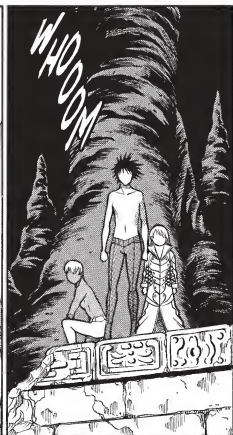


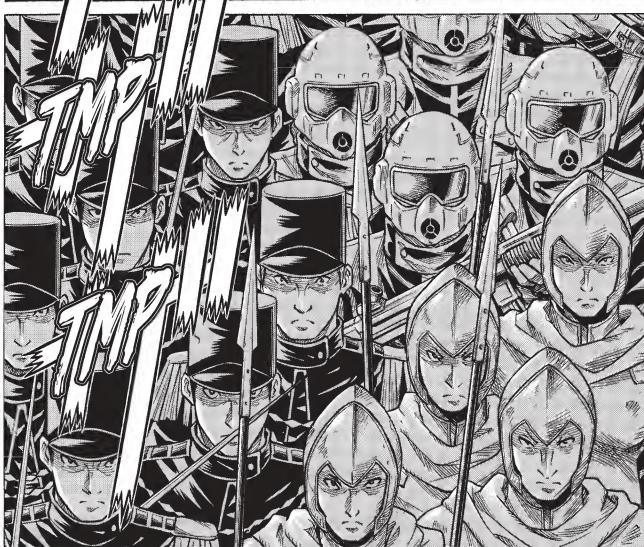
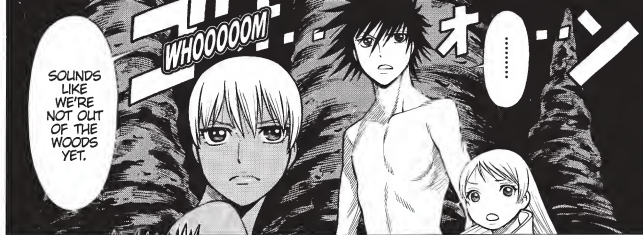


AKIRA,
HOW
CAN
YOU BE
HERE?

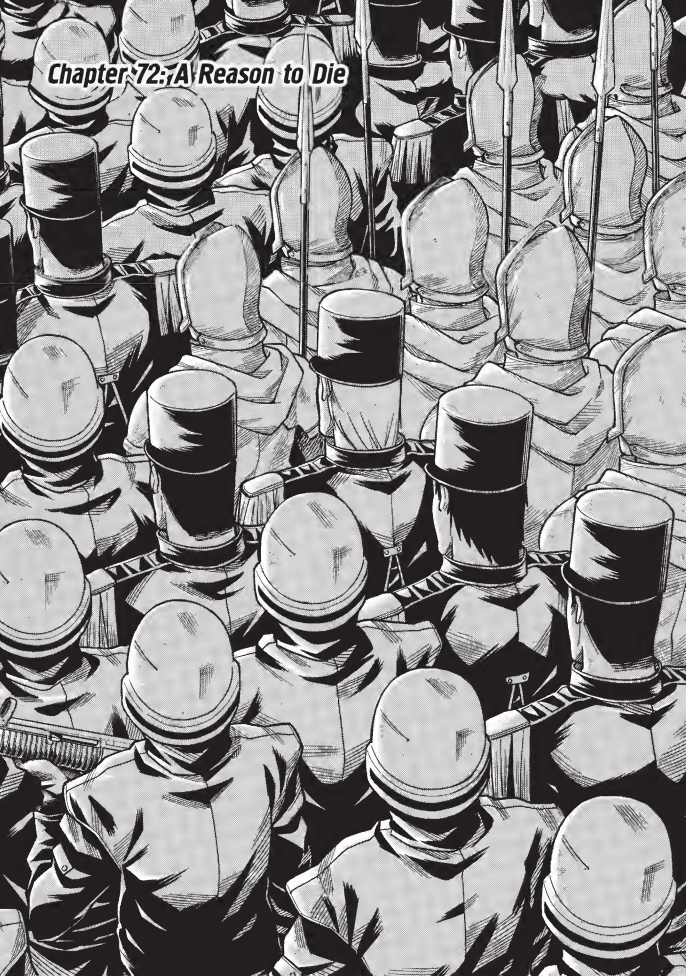
SHOULDN'T
YOU BE--

SHH!

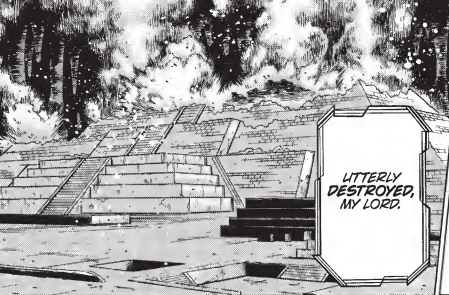




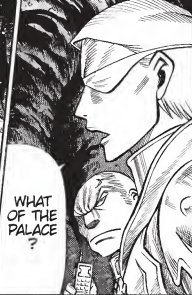
Chapter 72: A Reason to Die







LITTERLY
DESTROYED,
MY LORD.



WHAT
OF THE
PALACE
?



SHE
HAS
SEEN
IT.

MINA...
MUST
HAVE
GONE
INSIDE.



WHAT
HAP-
PENED?!
ANSWER
ME!!

GYAAAAH!!



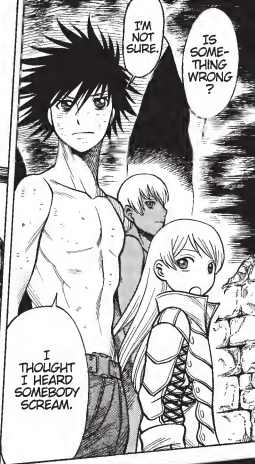
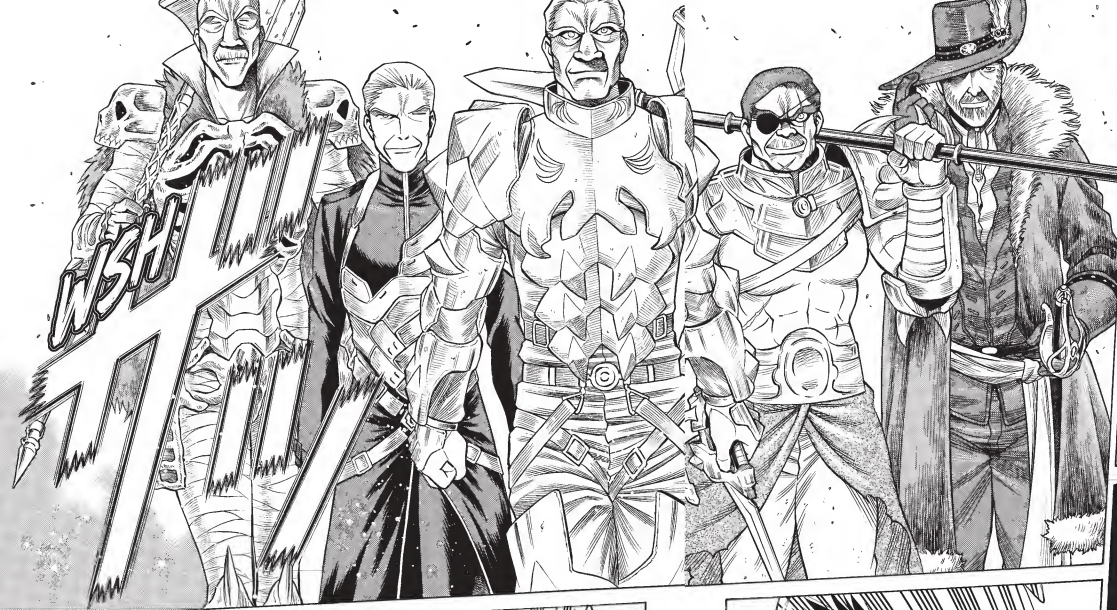
UNDER-
STOOD,
MY
LORD.

WE WILL
CONTINUE
OUR
OBSERVA-
TION.



IN-
CREASE
THE
SPEED
OF OUR
MARCH!

DO NOT
LET MINA
OUT OF
YOUR
SIGHT.
UNDER-
STAND?!



I'M NOT SURE.

IS SOMETHING WRONG?

I THOUGHT I HEARD SOMEBODY SCREAM.



YOUR MAJESTY!!

WHAT? HOW...? WHAT IN THE HELL ARE YOU ALL DOING HERE?!



LOOK, IT'S THE PRINCESS!

SHE'S ALL RIGHT!!

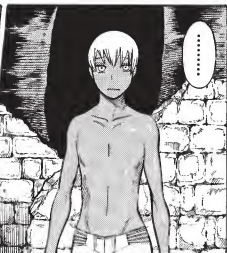
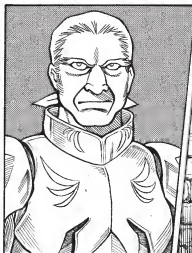
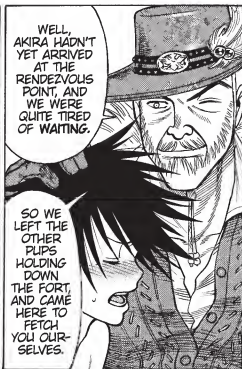
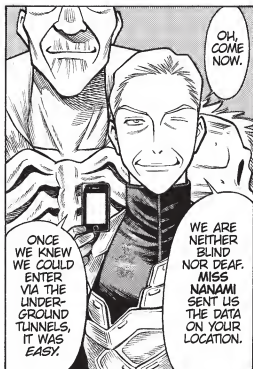


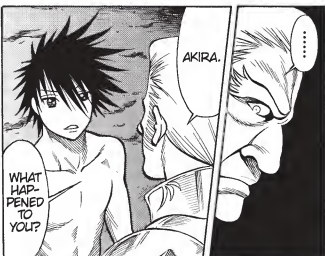
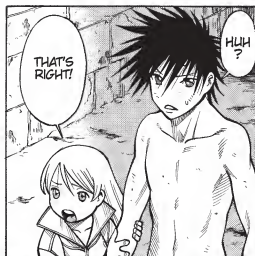
HOLY CRAP, IT'S THE OLD CODGERS!

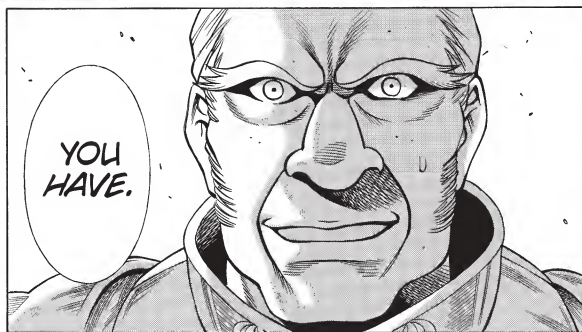
DUKE SCOTT?!

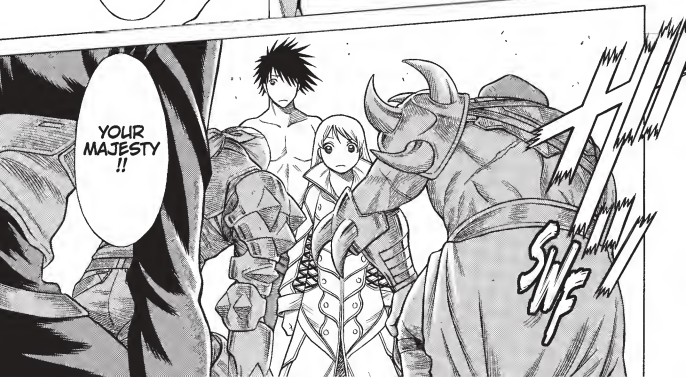


!











WAIT...
WHY
?!

WHAT
?



IF YOU BUT
ALLOW IT, WE
FIVE SHALL
GLADLY BECOME
YOUR MAJESTY'S
SHIELD, AND BUY
AS MUCH TIME
AS OUR MEAGER
LIVES MAY.
PLEASE, USE
THAT TIME
TO ESCAPE.

THE
ENEMY'S
FORCES
APPROACH
LIS
SLOWLY,
BUT
SURELY.



FOR MANY
A LONG YEAR,
WE HAVE
FAITHFULLY
FOLLOWED THE
THE CHARGE
GRANTED US
BY HER
MAJESTY
LUCRETIA TO
PROTECT
YOU.

NOW, YOUR
MAJESTY,
WE HUMBLY
AND
RESPECTFULLY
REQUEST
TO BE
RELEASED
FROM THAT
CHARGE.



THAT IS
WHAT HONOR
DEMANDED.
TO OUTLIVE
ONE'S LORD
IS A TERRIBLE
BURDEN FOR
A PACK OF
PRIDEFUL
YOUNG
WOLVES.

BY ALL
RIGHTS,
THE FIVE
OF LIS
SHOULD
HAVE DIED
WITH HER
MAJESTY
LUCRETIA,
400
YEARS
AGO.



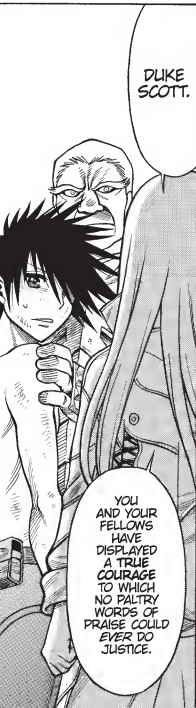
WHAT?
ARE YOU
CRAZY
?!

AKIRA,
LISTEN.



THUS WE
BORE THE
SHAME OF
LIVING,
AND HAVE
SURVIVED TO
THIS DAY TO
GUARD YOUR
MAJESTY.

BUT HER
MAJESTY
LUCRETIA
SAID ONE
THING WHICH
STRUCK US TO
THE CORE...
"PRINCESS
MINA YET
LIVES."



DUKE
SCOTT.

FROM
NOW ON, IT IS
THE DUTY OF
YOU YOUNG
PUPS TO GIVE
YOUR LIVES
IN SERVICE
TO HER
MAJESTY.

UNDER-
STAND?

BUT
NOW...
NOW
THAT
TIME IS
PAST.

YOU
AND YOUR
FELLOWS
HAVE
DISPLAYED
A TRUE
COURAGE TO
WHICH
NO PALTRY
WORDS OF
PRAISE COULD
EVER DO
JUSTICE.

BUT...

A NEW
AGE HAS
BEGUN.



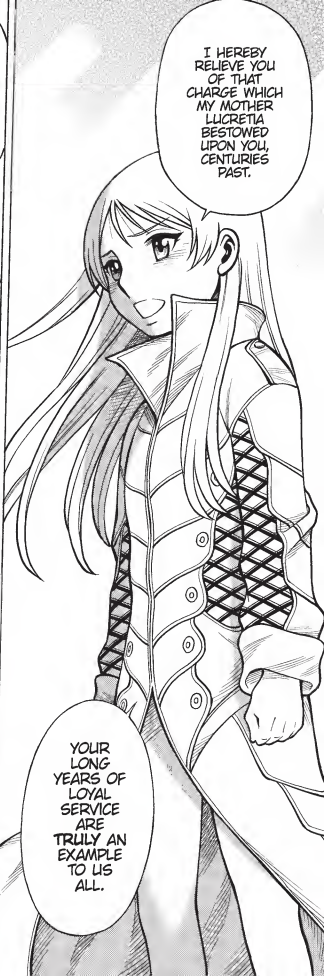
WITH
THIS, I
RETURN
TO YOU
YOUR
LIVES.

YOU
ARE
FREE
OF ANY
AND ALL
BONDS
TO ME.



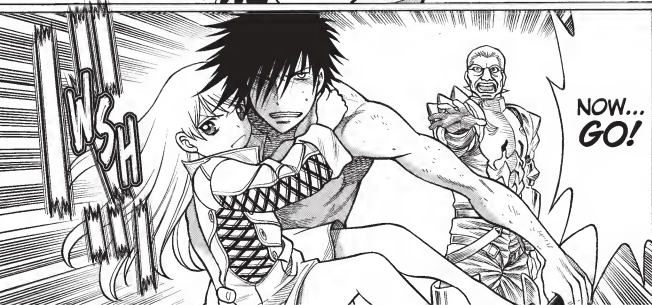
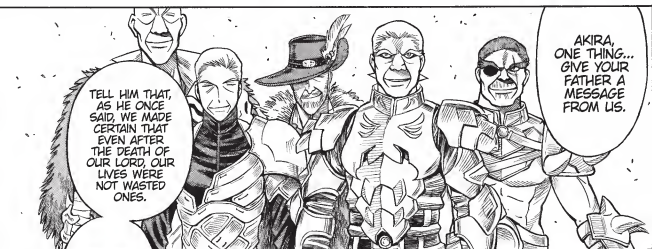
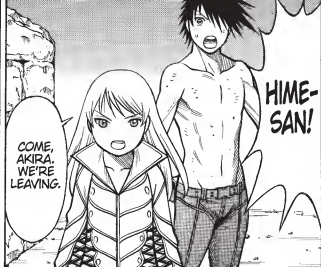
LIVE
WELL,
AND DIE
AS YOU
CHOOSE.

AS
YOU
WISH,
YOUR
MAJ-
ESTY!



I HEREBY
RELIEVE YOU
OF THAT
CHARGE WHICH
MY MOTHER
LUCRETIA
BESTOWED
UPON YOU,
CENTURIES
PAST.

YOUR
LONG
YEARS OF
LOYAL
SERVICE
ARE
TRULY AN
EXAMPLE
TO US
ALL.





NEVER
LOOK
BACK!

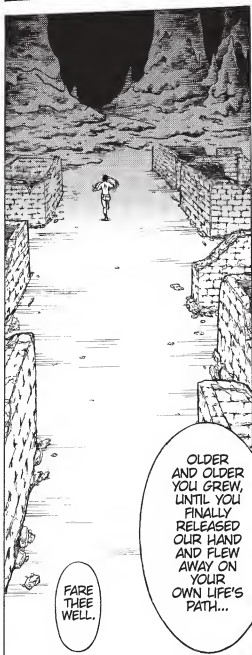
DON'T
LOOK
BACK,
AKIRA!

NEVER!!



DAMN IT!

DAMN
IT ALL
TO
HELL!!



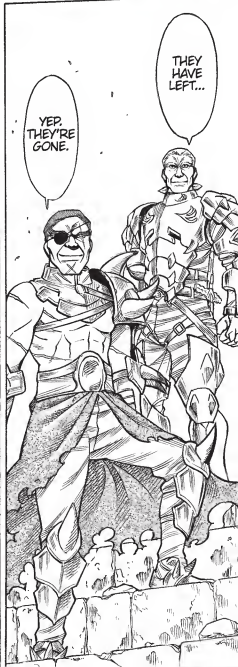
FARE
THEE
WELL..

OLDER
AND OLDER
YOU GREW,
UNTIL YOU
FINALLY
RELEASED
OUR HAND
AND FLEW
AWAY ON
YOUR OWN
LIFE'S
PATH...



DEAR
CHILD.
BE-
LOVED
CHILD.

OUR
LIGHT,
AND
OUR
LIFE.



YEP.
THEY'RE
GONE.

THEY
HAVE
LEFT...



A
WHOLE
BIG MOB
OF
THEM,
TOO.

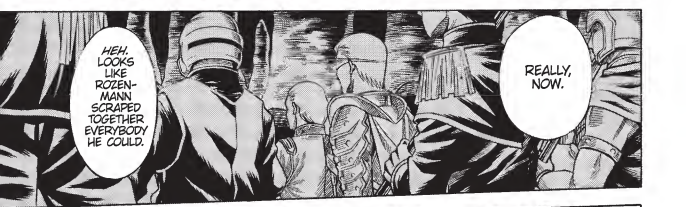
ALL
RIGHT,
YOU
OLD
COOTS.

I HATE TO
INTERRUPT
YOUR
SENTIMENTAL
RAMBLINGS,
BUT WE
HAVE
GUESTS.



NO, FIVE
HUNDRED
OF
THEM.

I COUNT
AT LEAST
THREE...



HEH,
LOOKS
LIKE
ROZEN-
MANN
SCRAPED
TOGETHER
EVERYBODY
HE COULD.

REALLY,
NOW.



SAYS
HE WITH
THE
GIANT
SMIRK
ON HIS
FACE!



WHY
ARE YOU
LAUGH-
ING?

HEH
HEH.



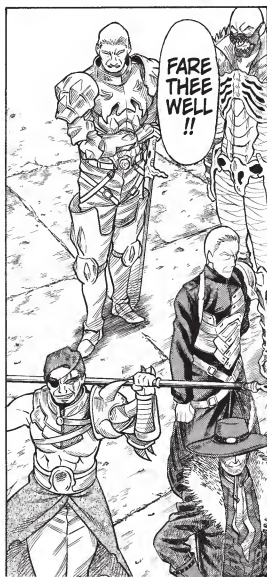
I MUST
SAY OUR
OPPONENTS
ARE A
LITTLE...
LACKING.

THOUGH,
HONESTLY
...

AT
LONG
LAST,
THE
FIELD IS
OURS,
AND
OURS
ALONE.

WHO
COULD
HELP
BUT
SMILE
NOW?

H
A
H!



FARE
THEE
WELL
!!

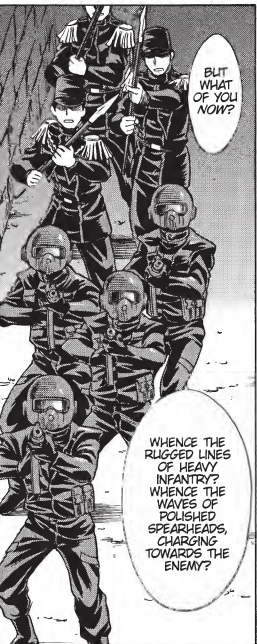
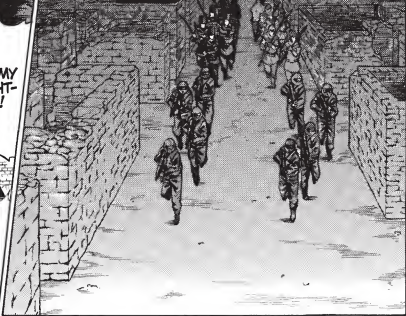
WHEN NEXT
WE MEET,
MAY IT BE
IN THE
PRESENCE
OF HER
MAJESTY
LUCRETIA!

WELL
THEN,
GENTLE-
MEN,
LET US
BEGIN!



ENEMY
SIGHT-
ED!

DIRECTLY
AHEAD,
DISTANCE
200
METERS!!



BUT
WHAT
OF YOU
NOW?

WHENCE THE
RUGGED LINES
OF HEAVY
INFANTRY?
WHENCE THE
WAVES OF
POLISHED
SPEARHEADS,
CHARGING
TOWARDS THE
ENEMY?



THEIR
DISCIPLINED
LINES AND
INTIMIDATING
NUMBERS
COULD CRUSH
ANY FOE. THEY
WERE WELL
AND RIGHTLY
KNOWN AS AN
ARMY OF
TERROR.

IT WAS
NOT LONG
AGO THAT
ROZENMANN'S
ARMY WAS A
THING OF
EXQUISITE
MAGNIFI-
CENCE.



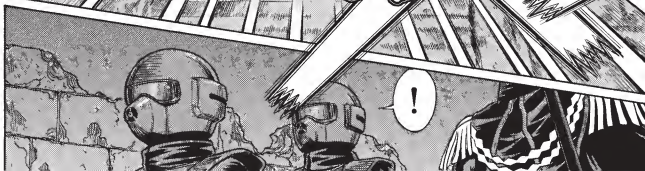
**YOU
HAVE
GOTTEN
OLD,
ROZEN-
MANN!
OLD
AND
FRAIL!!**

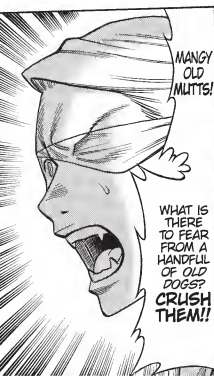
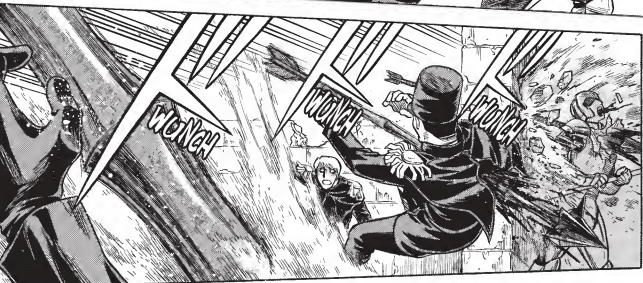
**NOW
YOU ARE
NAUGHT
BUT A
MOB OF
WEAK-
LINGS!**



**LET US
SHOW
YOU
WHAT IT
TRULY
MEANS
TO BE A
WARRIOR!!**

**THIS
WILL
HARDLY
BE A
BATTLE
AT
ALL!!**





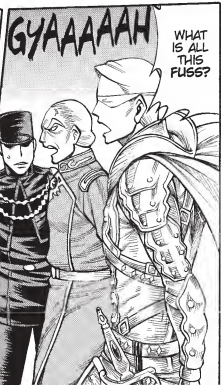
MANGY
OLD
MUTTS!

WHAT IS
THERE
TO FEAR
FROM A
HANDFUL
OF OLD
DOGS?
**CRUSH
THEM!!**



IT IS
THE
BEOWULF
ELDERS
OF THE
EARTH
SENATE,
MY LORD.

THEY ARE
IMPEDING
OUR
ADVANCE!



GYAAAAAH

WHAT
IS ALL
THIS
FUSS?



OH, BE
WARNED!



WHAT'S
WRONG,
YOU
WIMPS?!
DO NONE
OF YOU
WANT TO
MAKE A
NAME FOR
YOUR-
SELVES?!

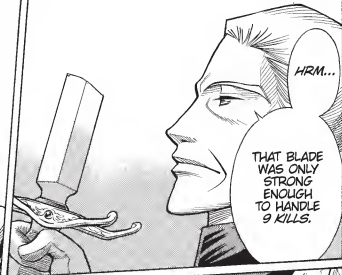
YOU
FACE
THE
GREATEST
OPPONENTS
OF YOUR
LIFETIME!
WILL NONE
CLAIM THE
GLORY OF
TAKING OUR
HEADS?!







NOW,
HOW
MANY
KILLS
WILL
THIS
BLADE
LAST?



HRM...

THAT BLADE
WAS ONLY
STRONG
ENOUGH TO
HANDLE
9 KILLS.



RAAAH!!

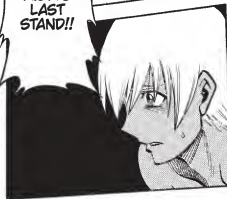
SLICE

WHUMPH

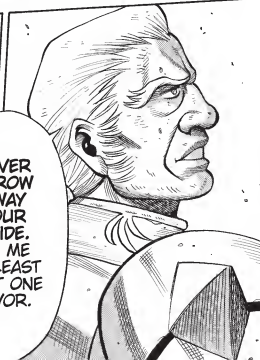


YOUR INTER-
FERENCE
IS UN-
NEEDED
HERE!

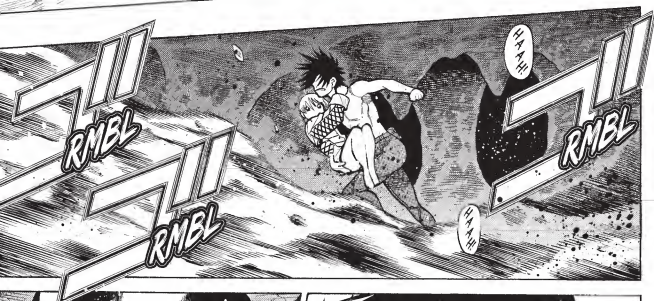
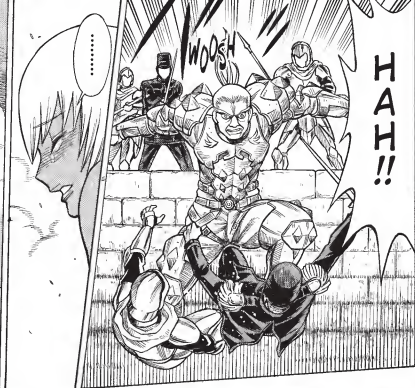
DO NOT
SULLY A
WAR-
RIOR'S
LAST
STAND!!



NEVER
THROW
AWAY
YOUR
PRIDE.
DO ME
AT LEAST
THAT ONE
FAVOR.



WE
MAY HAVE
CHOSEN
TO RALLY
BEHIND
DIFFERENT
FLAGS,
BUT WE ARE
BOTH STILL
WOLVES.







KRUMP

BE-
CAUSE
IF WE
DO NOT
SUC-
CEED...

WE
WILL
NEVER
BE
ABLE
TO
FACE
THEM
WITH
PRIDE
AGAIN!!

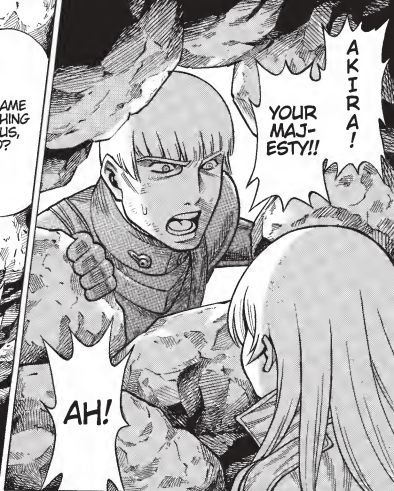
!



YOU CAME
SEARCHING
FOR US,
TOO?

YOUR
MAJ-
ESTY,
YOU'RE
ALL
RIGHT!

PRAISE
THE
GODS!



YOUR
MAJ-
ESTY!!

A K I R A !

AH!



I
SEE...



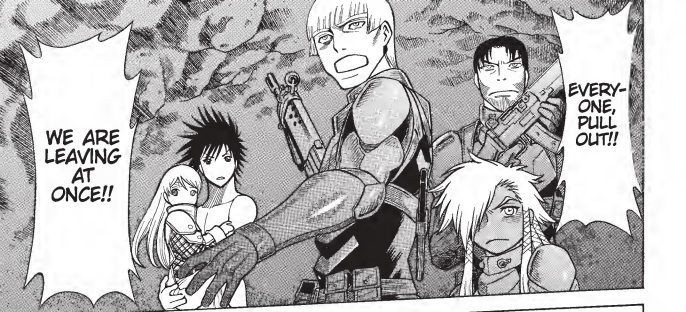
I
UNDER-
STAND.



.....



WHAT
OF THE
ELDERS
?



WE ARE
LEAVING
AT
ONCE!!

EVERY-
ONE,
PULL
OUT!!

K
L
A
N
K

HFF
...

HFF
!

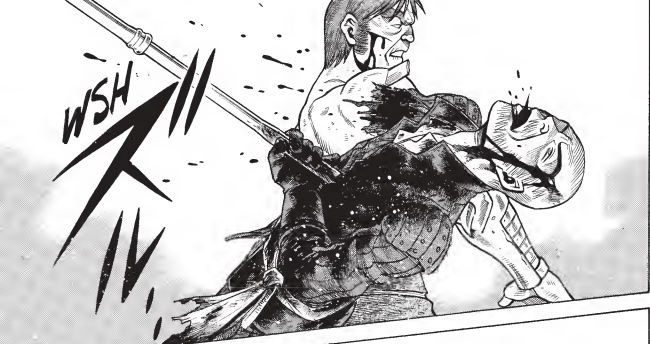
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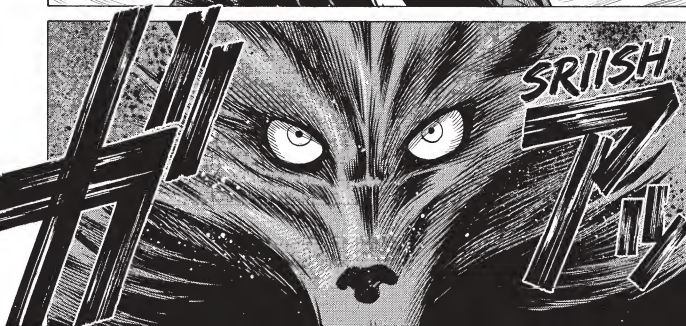
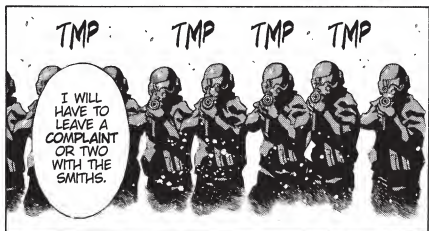
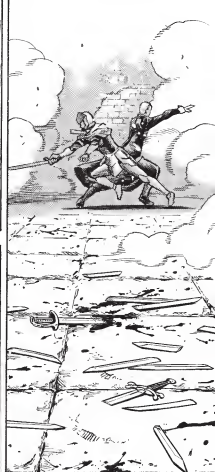
SLING
...

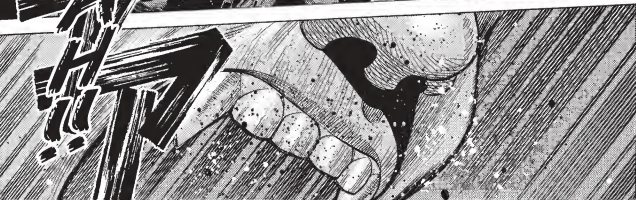
I HATE
GETTING
OLD.













HOW
ARE
THEY
DOING
THIS?



MY
LORD,
LOOK
OUT!!



!

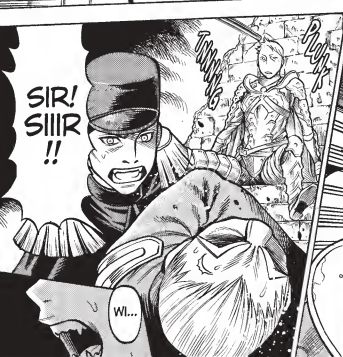


THERE
ARE
ONLY
FIVE
OF
THEM!

HOW
IS
THIS
EVEN
HAPPEN-
ING?!

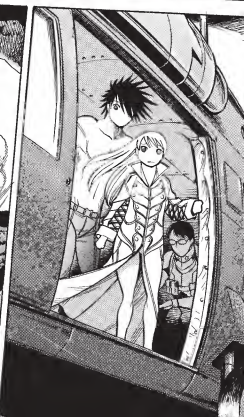
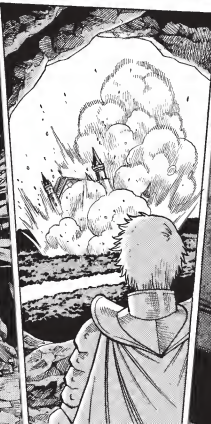
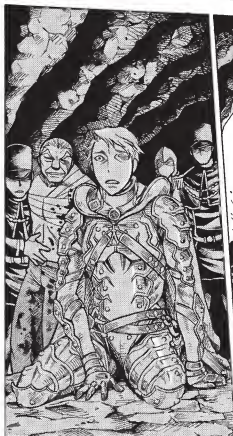
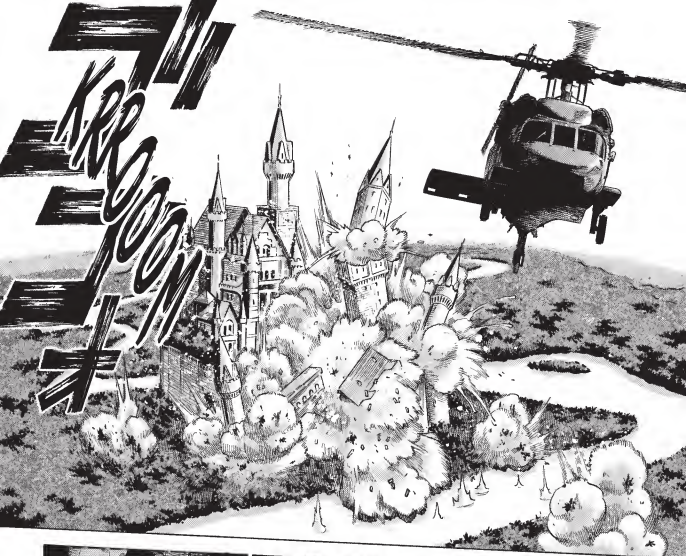
ONLY
FIVE
!!

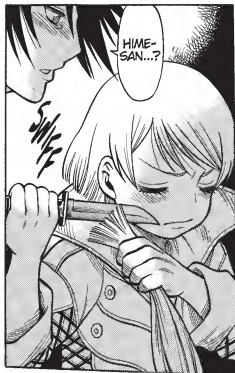
MY
LORD!



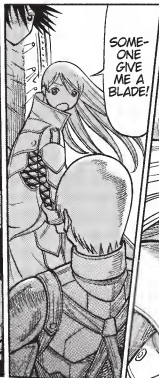




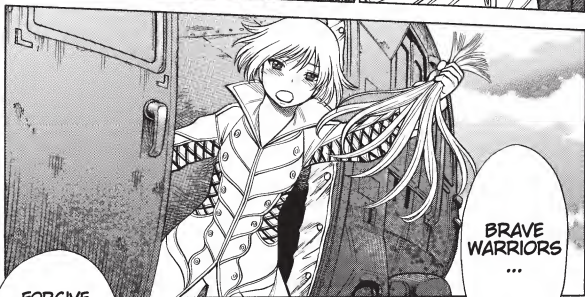




HIME-SAN...?



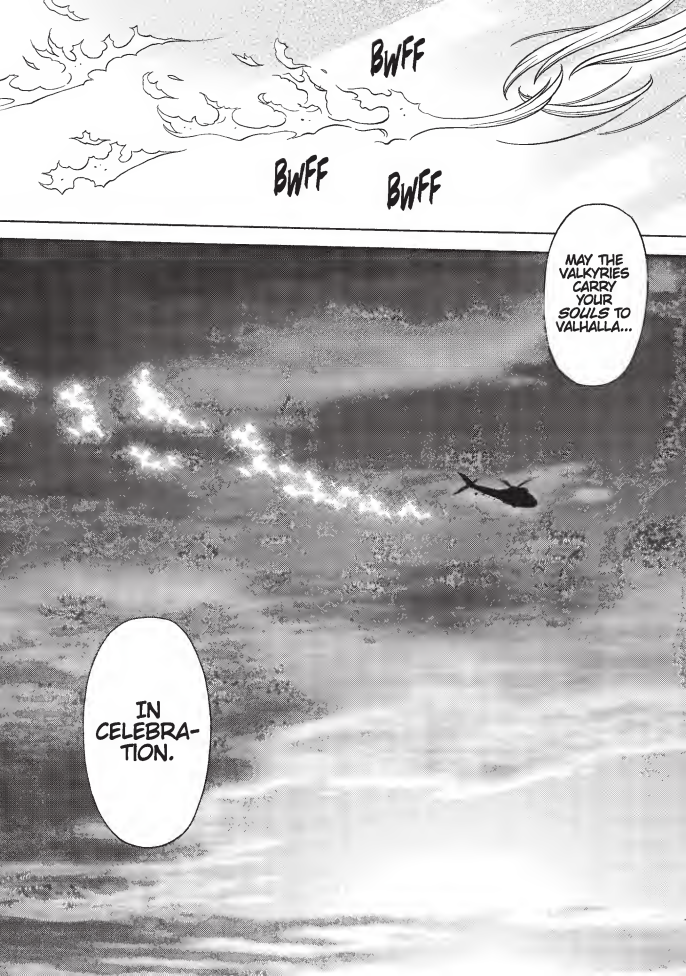
SOME-ONE GIVE ME A BLADE!



FORGIVE ME FOR HAVING NAUGHT ELSE TO HONOR YOU WITH.

BRAVE WARRIORS
...





BWFF

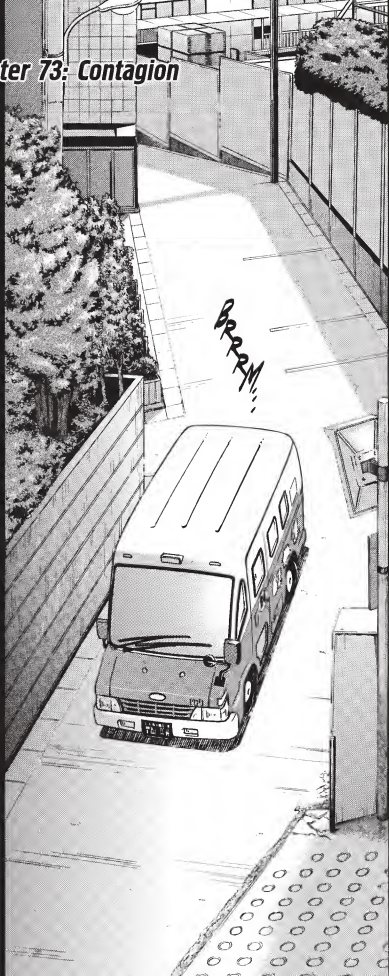
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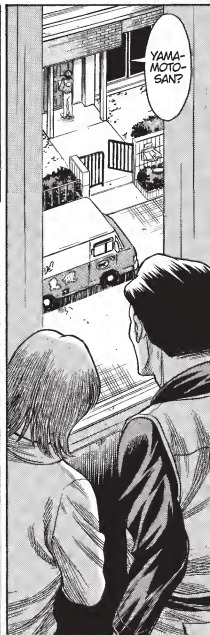
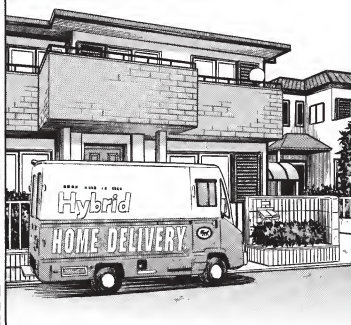
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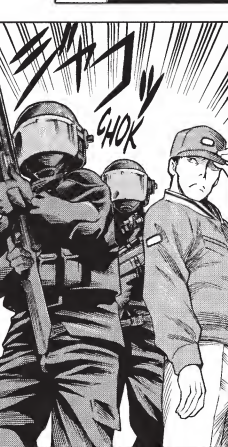
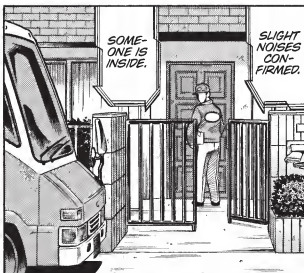
MAY THE
VALKYRIES
CARRY
YOUR
SOULS TO
VALHALLA...

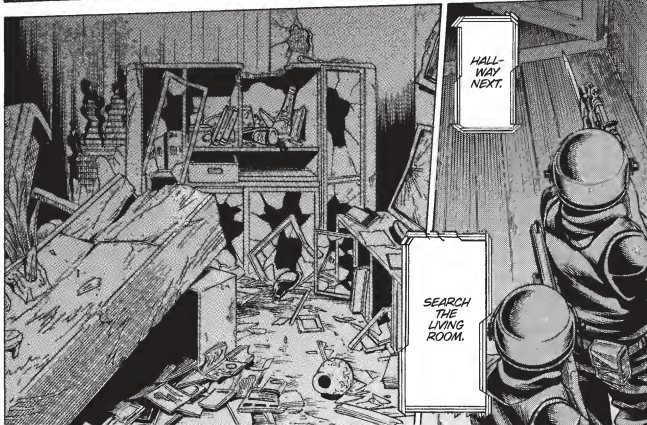
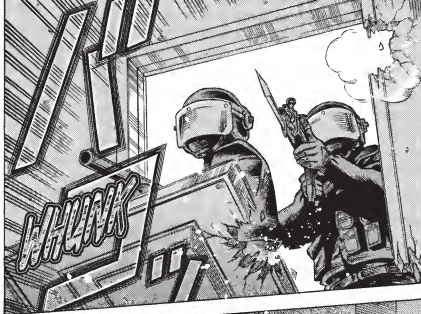
IN
CELEBRA-
TION.

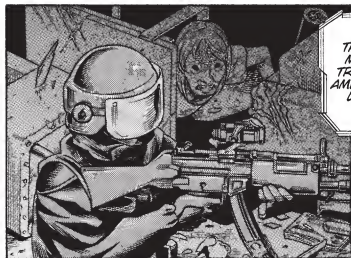
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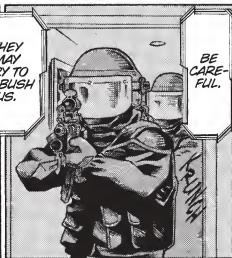




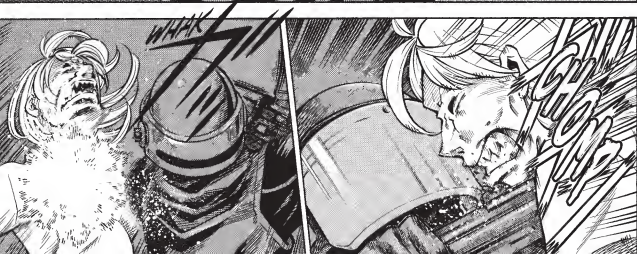
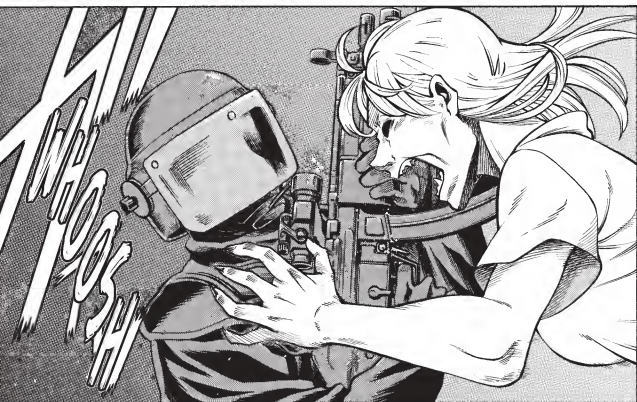


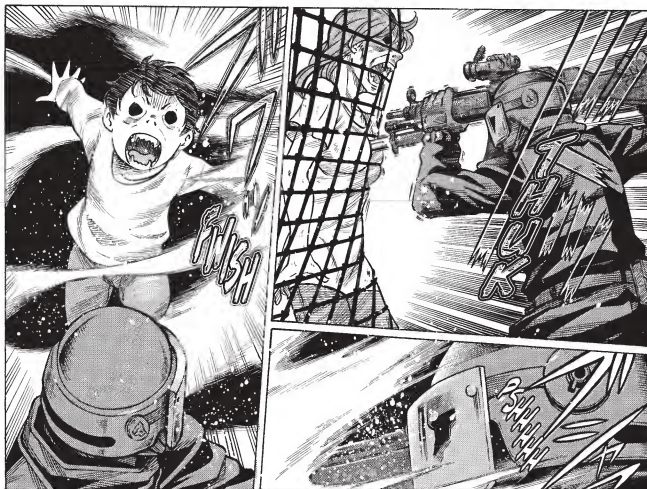


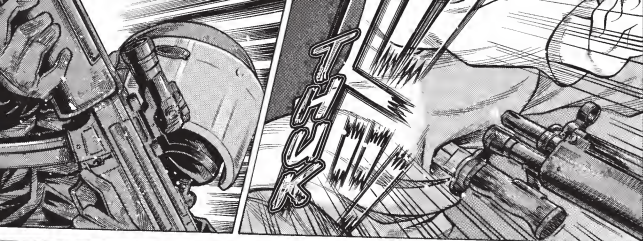
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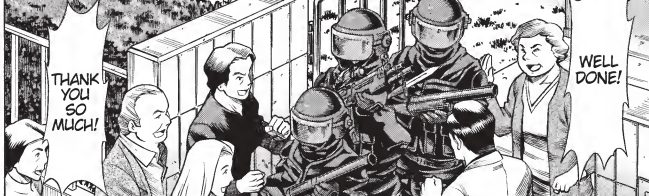


BE
CARE-
FUL.



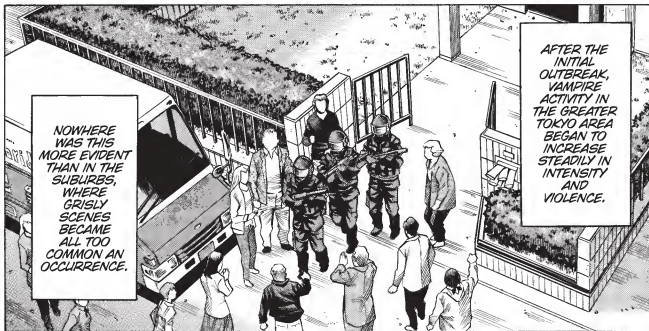






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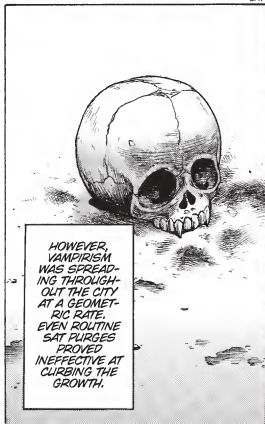
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DONE!



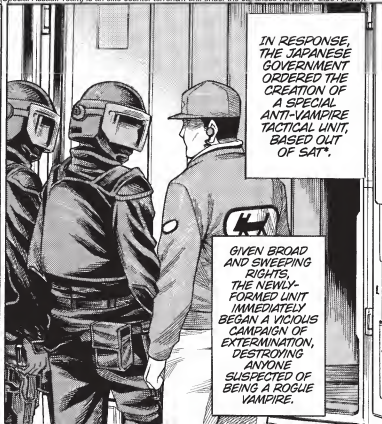
NOWHERE
WAS THIS
MORE EVIDENT
THAN IN THE
SUBURBS,
WHERE
GRISLY
SCENES
BECAME
ALL TOO
COMMON AN
OCCURRENCE.

AFTER THE
INITIAL
OUTBREAK,
VAMPIRE
ACTIVITY IN
THE GREATER
TOKYO AREA
BEGAN TO
INCREASE
STEADILY IN
INTENSITY
AND
VIOLENCE.

*SAT (Special Assault Team) is an elite counter-terrorism unit under the Japanese National Police Agency.



HOWEVER,
VAMPIRISM
WAS SPREAD-
ING THROUGH-
OUT THE CITY
AT A GEOMET-
RIC RATE.
EVEN ROUTINE
SAT PURGES
PROVED
INEFFECTIVE AT
CURBING THE
GROWTH.



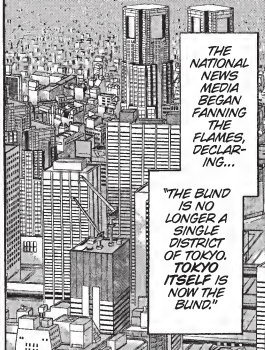
IN RESPONSE,
THE JAPANESE
GOVERNMENT
ORDERED THE
CREATION OF
A SPECIAL
ANTI-VAMPIRE
TACTICAL UNIT,
BASED OUT
OF SAT*.

GIVEN BROAD
AND SWEEPING
RIGHTS,
THE NEWLY-
FORMED UNIT
IMMEDIATELY
BEGAN A VICIOUS
CAMPAIGN OF
EXTERMINATION,
DESTROYING
ANYONE
SUSPECTED OF
BEING A ROGUE
VAMPIRE.



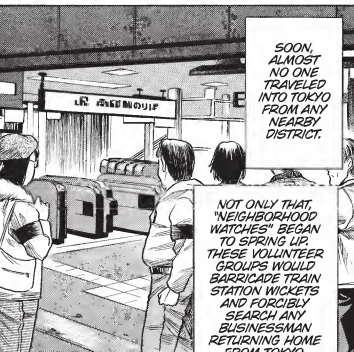
ANY INTER-NATIONAL CORPORATION WITH OFFICES IN TOKYO IMMEDIATELY MOVED ELSEWHERE. TOURISM DRIED UP ALMOST COMPLETELY.

THE FOREIGN MEDIA MADE MATTERS WORSE. GOING FOR SENSATIONALISM OVER STATISTICAL PROOF, THEY BEGAN REPORTING TO THE WORLD THAT HALF OF TOKYO'S RESIDENTS HAD BECOME VAMPIRES.



THE NATIONAL NEWS MEDIA BEGAN FANNING THE FLAMES, DECLARING...

"THE BLIND IS NO LONGER A SINGLE DISTRICT OF TOKYO. TOKYO ITSELF IS NOW THE BLIND."



SOON, ALMOST NO ONE TRAVELED INTO TOKYO FROM ANY NEARBY DISTRICT.

NOT ONLY THAT, "NEIGHBORHOOD WATCHES" BEGAN TO SPRING UP. THESE VOLUNTEER GROUPS WOULD BARRICADE TRAIN STATION WICKETS AND FORCIBLY SEARCH ANY BUSINESSMAN RETURNING HOME FROM TOKYO, TO "PROVE" HE WASN'T A VAMPIRE.

IT WASN'T UNUSUAL TO HEAR OF PEOPLE BEING NEARLY BEATEN TO DEATH IF THEY REFUSED TO ACQUIRE.

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BUT THE MEDIA OUTLETS WEREN'T THE ONLY CULPRITS.

kazuhiko (Yamada Kazuhiko)
[PUBLIC] Lorenzo Pharmaceuticals is owned by the Tapes artificial blood called "Sigma". Hospital patients who received artificial blood became vampires! Ask your hospital to stop using Lorenzo Pharmaceuticals products today!
#vampire 10 sec. ago

boom boom
[PUBLIC] Lorenzo Pharmaceuticals is owned by the Tapes artificial blood called "Sigma". Hospital patients who received artificial blood became vampires! Ask your hospital to stop using Lorenzo Pharmaceuticals products today!
#vampire 20 sec. ago

itlin (TanTan)
[PUBLIC] Lorenzo Pharmaceuticals is owned by the Tapes family! They make the artificial blood called "Sigma". Hospital patients who received this artificial blood became vampires! Ask your hospital to stop using Lorenzo Pharmaceuticals products today!
#vampire 1 min. ago

Bombon (Young Master)
[PUBLIC] I had a hand source! A hospital patient who received a Sigma blood transfer turned into a vampire!
#vampire 1 min. ago

CHIKUTAKU (Watchmaker)
[PUBLIC] Be careful! Vampires have a gel that will protect them from sunlight. Just because you see someone outside in the sun doesn't mean they aren't a vampire!
#vampire 2 min. ago

Rumpelstiltschen (Little Dwarf)
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#vampire 3 min. ago

Rumpelstiltschen (Little Dwarf)
[PUBLIC] R10Nakano - A home in Nakano got out of vampires from breaking in. Worth giving it a try.

INTERNET CHAT ROOMS AND MESSAGE BOARDS WERE ABUZZ WITH RUMOR, LEADING TO A GROWING SENSE OF LINEAGE IN THE AREAS NEIGHBORING TOKYO.

THE MEDIA'S YELLOW JOURNALISM ONLY UNDERSCORED THAT PARANOIA.

A home in Nakano got out of vampire wards and it prevented a vampire from getting it a try.

work against vampires? #vampire

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DAYTIME
SCHEDULES
WERE ALSO
CUT TO
UNDER HALF
OF THEIR
USUAL
NUMBER.

NO TRAIN SERVICE
AFTER 5 PM.

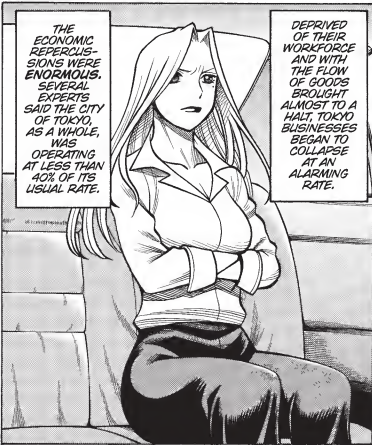
SOON, THE
PRIVATELY HELD
COMPANIES THAT
MAKE UP THE
JAPAN RAILWAYS
GROUP BEGAN
CANCELLING ALL
TRAIN SERVICE
IN AND OUT OF
TOKYO AFTER
SUNDOWN.



ALL ROADS LEADING
INTO TOKYO WERE
CLOSED OFF, WITH
THE TOKYO POLICE
CONDUCTING
THOROUGH
SEARCHES OF
EVERY VEHICLE
AND ALL CARGO
PASSING THROUGH.

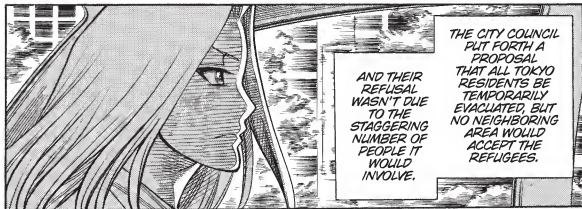


EVEN
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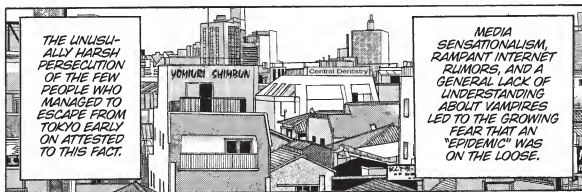
THE
ECONOMIC
REPERCUSSIONS
WERE ENORMOUS.
SEVERAL
EXPERTS
SAID THE CITY
OF TOKYO,
AS A WHOLE,
WAS
OPERATING
AT LESS THAN
40% OF ITS
USUAL RATE.

DEPRIVED
OF THEIR
WORKFORCE
AND WITH
THE FLOW
OF GOODS
BROUGHT
ALMOST TO A
HALT, TOKYO
BUSINESSES
BEGAN TO
COLLAPSE
AT AN
ALARMING
RATE.



AND THEIR REFUSAL WASN'T DUE TO THE STAGGERING NUMBER OF PEOPLE IT WOULD INVOLVE.

THE CITY COUNCIL PUT FORTH A PROPOSAL THAT ALL TOKYO RESIDENTS BE TEMPORARILY EVACUATED, BUT NO NEIGHBORING AREA WOULD ACCEPT THE REFUGEES.



THE UNUSUALLY HARSH PERSECUTION OF THE FEW PEOPLE WHO MANAGED TO ESCAPE FROM TOKYO EARLY ON ATTESTED TO THIS FACT.

MEDIA SENSATIONALISM, RAMPANT INTERNET RUMORS, AND A GENERAL LACK OF UNDERSTANDING ABOUT VAMPIRES LED TO THE GROWING FEAR THAT AN "EPIDEMIC" WAS ON THE LOOSE.



THERE IS A VERY STRANGE MAN WHO HANGS AROUND MY NEIGHBORHOOD.

UM...

DENIED THE OPPORTUNITY FOR AN ESCAPE TO SAFETY, TRAPPED TOKYO RESIDENTS STRUGGLED WITH AN INCREASING SENSE OF PARANOIA. MORE AND MORE OFTEN, THEY WOULD VENT THAT FEAR THROUGH ATTACKS ON OTHERS.



MAYBE THEY'RE VAMPIRES.

YES... DEFINITELY ...

IN FACT, I HAVEN'T SEEN THEM IN ALMOST THREE YEARS!

THERE HAS TO BE SOMETHING GOING ON THERE, RIGHT?

THERE'S A FAMILY LIVING NEXT DOOR, BUT I HAVEN'T SEEN THEIR CHILDREN IN A LONG TIME...

HE STAYS IN THE PARK ALONE FOR HOURS ON END, AND I DON'T LIKE THE WAY HE LOOKS AT THE CHILDREN.

YES... YES, IT IS ALWAYS AFTER DARK.

THE CITY LOOKED SOLID... NO EARTH-QUAKE OR FLOOD WAS CAUSING THE CITY TO VISIBLY CRUMBLE.

HE'S A VAMPIRE! GOTTA BE!

THAT GUY'S DEFINITELY SUSPICIOUS!

Y'KNOW, I HEARD HIM SAY SOME REALLY STRANGE THINGS THE OTHER DAY...

PLEASE, YOU HAVE TO LOOK INTO THIS! I JUST KNOW THERE'S SOMETHING WRONG WITH HIM!

HOW DO I KNOW SHE'S A VAMPIRE? I JUST DO!

KILL THEM!

THE LAW IS USELESS IN THESE KINDS OF EMERGENCIES.

THE GOVERNMENT SEES US AS SACRIFICIAL LAMBS.

I'M NOT THE VAMPIRE, SHE IS! SHE'S JUST TRYING TO MAKE IT LOOK LIKE I AM TO TAKE THE SUSPICION OFF OF HER!

I CAN'T TRUST ANYONE! ANY MORE!

WHO'S GOING TO PROTECT US?!

THE POLICE NEED TO STEP THINGS UP! I SHOW US THAT THEY'RE DOING SOMETHING!

PLEASE, I DON'T WANT TO THINK ABOUT IT ANY MORE!

SOME THING HAS TO BE DONE. WE NEED TO TAKE MATTERS INTO OUR OWN HANDS!

IT'S OBVIOUS! I MEAN, HE LOOKS LIKE A VAMPIRE!

I'M SO SCARED, I DON'T KNOW WHAT TO DO!

WHO CARES IF HE WASN'T A VAMPIRE? A JERK LIKE HIM DIDN'T DESERVE TO LIVE ANYWAY.

WE NEED TO MAKE AN EXAMPLE OUT OF THEM! SHOW THESE BLOOD-SUCKERS THAT WE MEAN BUSINESS!

DIE! DIE, DIE!!!

I'M NOT GONNA LET SOME DAMN VAMP FEED ON ME!

I GET SO WORRIED EVERY TIME MY DAUGHTER STAYS OUT LATE!

I'M SO SCARED! EVERYBODY LOOKS LIKE A VAMPIRE TO ME NOW!

BUT WHAT CAN WE DO?!

I WILL DO WHATEVER I MUST TO PROTECT MY FAMILY.

BUT THIS WAS WITHOUT A DOUBT A DISASTER, AND IT WAS SLOWLY BUT SURELY DRAGGING THE ENTIRE CITY TO THE BRINK OF RUIN.

THIS IS WAR! IT'S US VERSUS THEM!!

HOW CAN I PROVE I'M NOT A VAMPIRE?

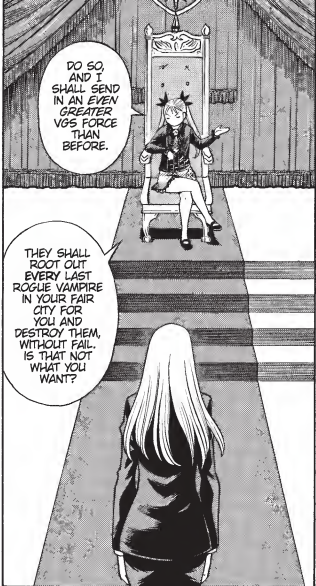
SOME-BODY CALL THE COPS! THAT GUY'S A VAMPIRE!!

HE'S GOTTA BE A VAMPIRE! JUST LOOK AT HIM!

THERE ARE AT LEAST THREE VAMPIRES LIVING NEAR ME, I KNOW IT!

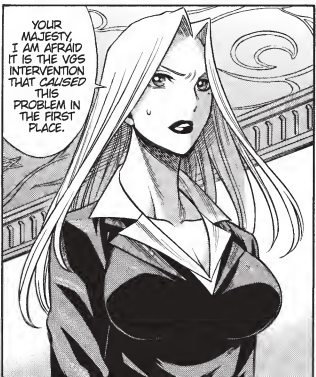
I'M NOT A VAMPIRE! I SWEAR!

EVERYBODY'S GONE INSANE!

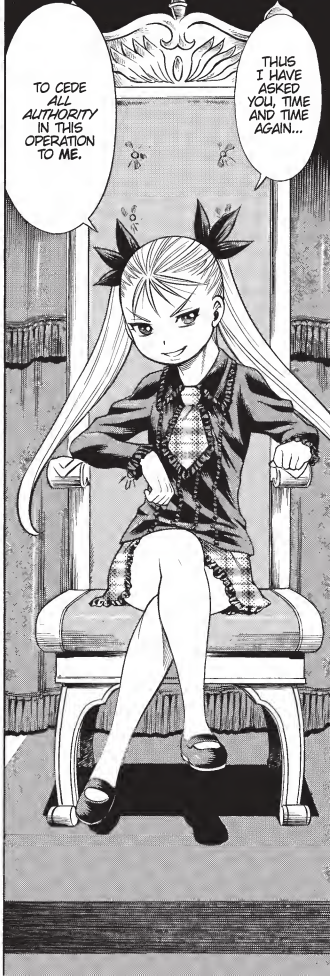


DO SO,
AND I
SHALL SEND
IN AN EVEN
GREATER
VGS FORCE
THAN
BEFORE.

THEY SHALL
ROOT OUT
EVERY LAST
ROGUE VAMPIRE
IN YOUR FAIR
CITY FOR
YOU AND
DESTROY THEM,
WITHOUT FAIL.
IS THAT NOT
WHAT YOU
WANT?



YOUR
MAJESTY,
I AM AFRAID
IT IS THE VGS
INTERVENTION
THAT CAUSED
THIS
PROBLEM IN
THE FIRST
PLACE.



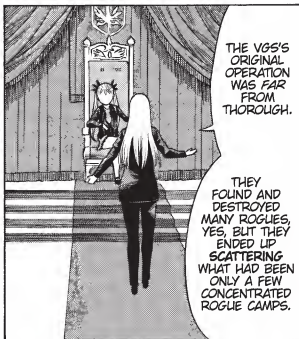
TO CEDE
ALL
AUTHORITY
IN THIS
OPERATION
TO ME.

THUS
I HAVE
ASKED
YOU, TIME
AND TIME
AGAIN...



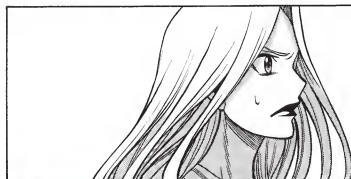
THAT
THEY
MOST
CERTAINLY
DID!

HOWEVER,
IT WAS YOUR
GOVERNMENT
WHO IMPOSED AN
UPPER LIMIT ON
THE FORCE WE
COULD BRING TO
BEAR, THUS
ROBBING US OF
THE OPPORTUNITY
FOR A COMPLETE
AND DECISIVE
STRIKE.



THE VGS'S
ORIGINAL
OPERATION
WAS FAR
FROM
THOROUGH.

THEY
FOUND AND
DESTROYED
MANY ROGUES,
YES, BUT THEY
ENDED UP
SCATTERING
WHAT HAD BEEN
ONLY A FEW
CONCENTRATED
ROGUE CAMPS.



ANYONE WITH
AN OUNCE OF
STRATEGY KNOWS
SENDING THEM AS
A COHESIVE FORCE
IS FAR MORE
PREFERABLE.
IT SEEMS YOUR
COUNTRY LEARNED
LITTLE FROM ITS
PREVIOUS WAR.

IT IS CON-
SIDERED THE
VERY HEIGHT
OF FOOLISH-
NESS TO
SPLIT ONE'S
FORCES AND
SEND THEM
INTO BATTLE
SUCCESS-
SIVELY.

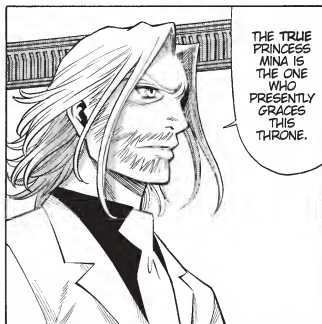
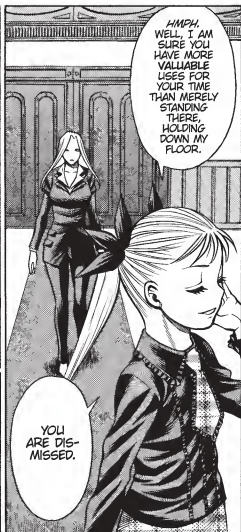
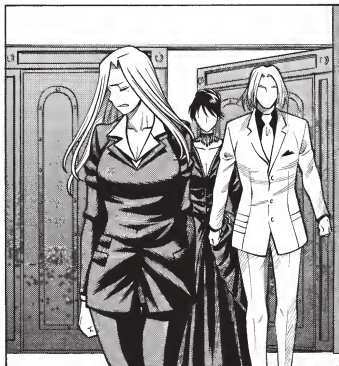


WHAT
OTHER
WAYS
ARE
THERE
?

IF YOU
HAVE ANY
IDEAS,
I WILL
GLADLY
ENTERTAIN
THEM.



HISTORY
LESSONS
ASIDE, YOUR
MAJESTY, THE
JAPANESE
GOVERNMENT
RESPECTFULLY
REQUESTS
YOUR AID IN
DEALING WITH
THESE ROGUE
VAMPIRES IN
WAYS OTHER
THAN MILITARY
FORCE!



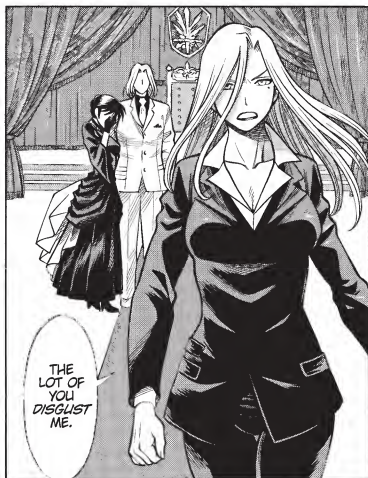


WELL,
VERA-
SAMA
?!

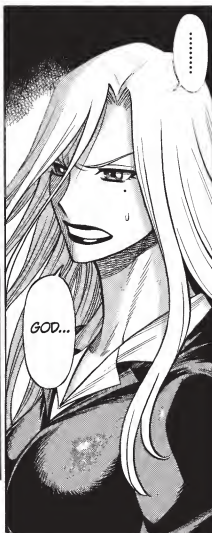


DON'T
YOU
CARE
AT ALL
ABOUT
THE
BONDS
YOU HAVE
FORGED
DURING
HER
REIGN?

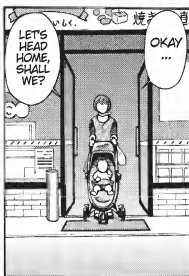
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BLOOD-
LINE THE
ONLY
THING
THAT
COM-
MANDS
YOUR
LOYALTY?
IS THAT
IT?!

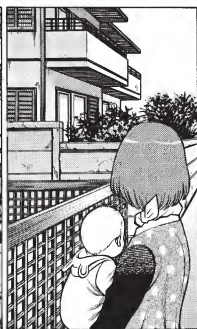
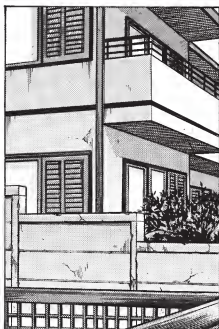
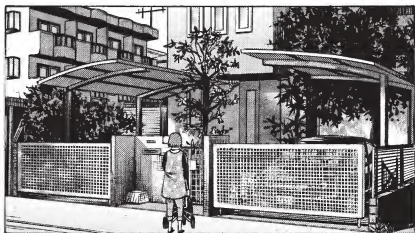


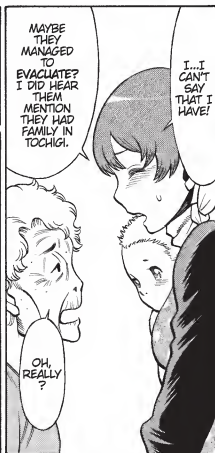
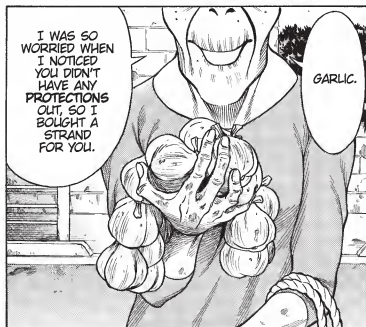
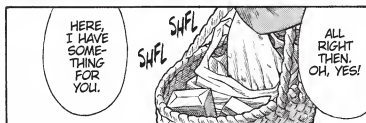
THE
LOT OF
YOU
DISGUST
ME.

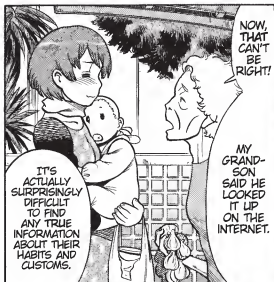


GOD...









NOW,
THAT CAN'T
BE RIGHT!

MY
GRAND-
SON
SAID HE
LOOKED
IT UP
ON THE
INTERNET.

IT'S
ACTUALLY
DIFFICULT
TO FIND
ANY TRUE
INFORMATION
ABOUT THEIR
HABITS AND
CUSTOMS.

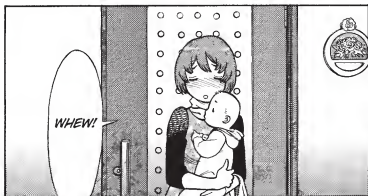


O-OH,
THANK
YOU.

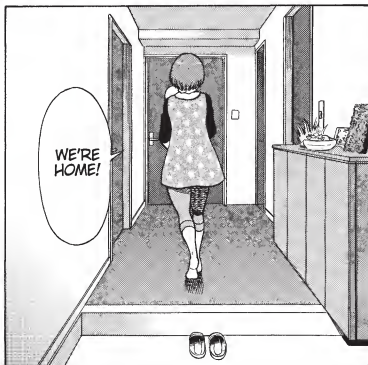
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REAL
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SO WE
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Y'KNOW...

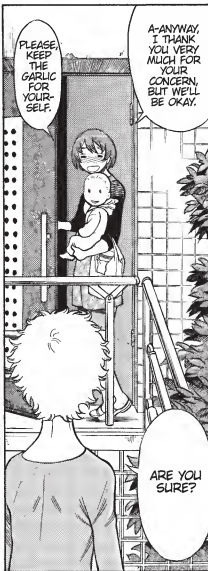
AHA
HA
HA...



WHIEW!



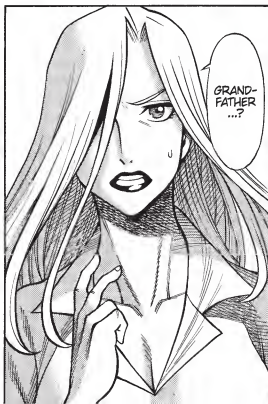
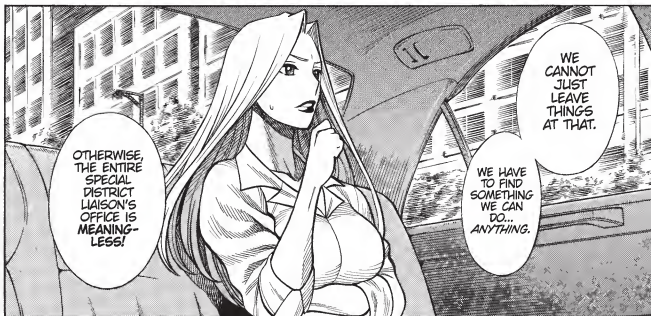
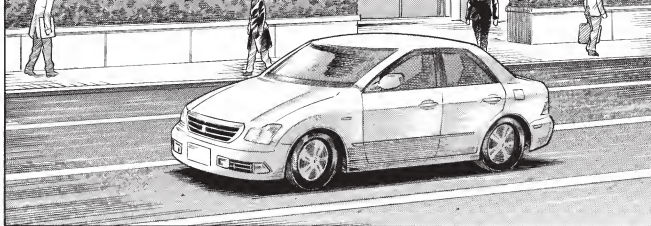
WE'RE
HOME!

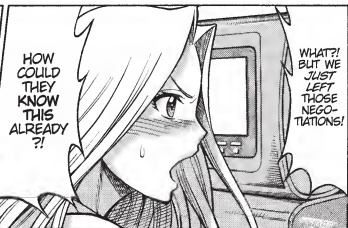
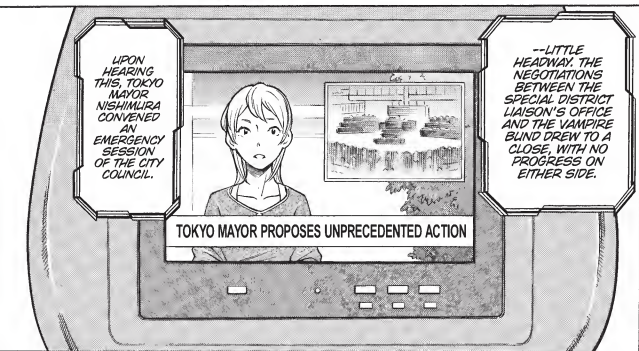
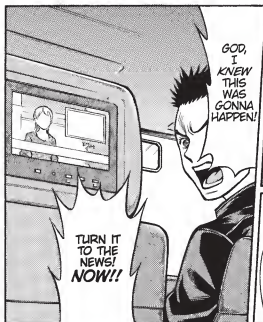


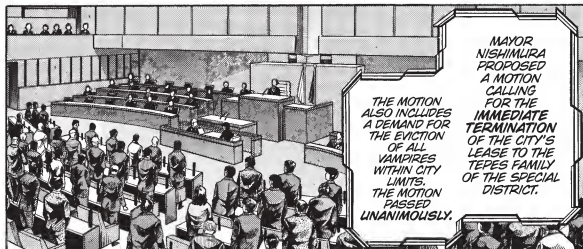
PLEASE,
KEEP
THE
GARLIC
FOR
YOUR-
SELF.

A-ANYWAY,
I THANK
YOU VERY
MUCH FOR
YOUR
CONCERN,
BUT WE'LL
BE OKAY.

ARE YOU
SURE?

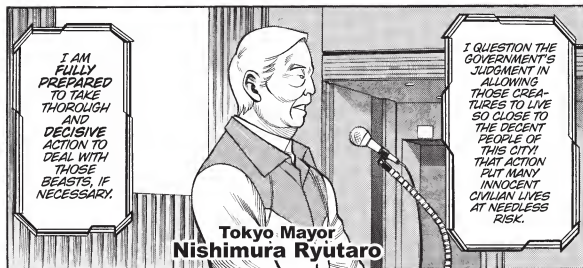






THE MOTION
ALSO INCLUDES
A DEMAND FOR
THE EVICTION
OF ALL
VAMPIRES
WITHIN CITY
LIMITS.
THE MOTION
PASSED
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MAYOR
NISHIMURA
PROPOSED
A MOTION
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OF THE SPECIAL
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**Tokyo Mayor
Nishimura Ryutaro**

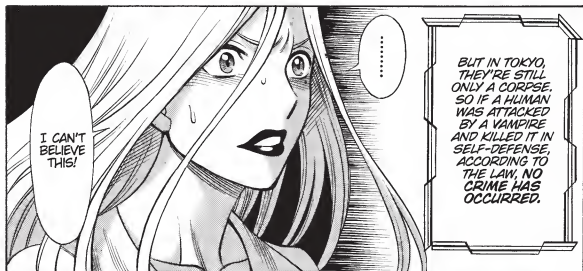
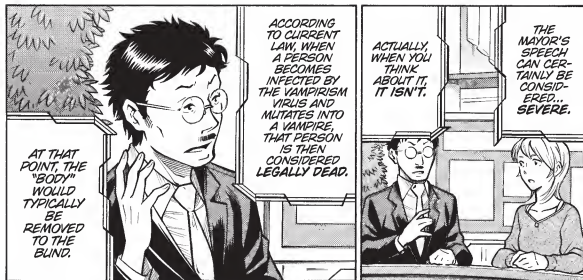
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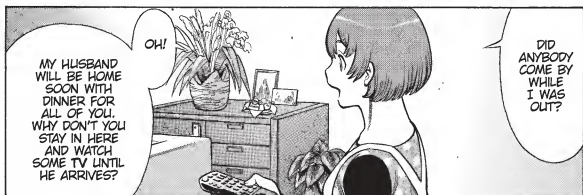
I QUESTION THE
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TURES TO LIVE
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THAT ACTION
PUT MANY
INNOCENT
CIVILIAN LIVES
AT NEEDLESS
RISK.

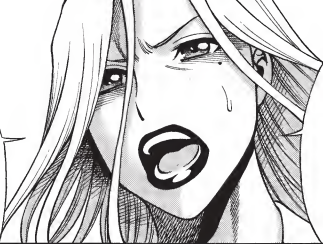


WHEN
YOU COME
RIGHT
DOWN TO
IT, THEY
AREN'T
EVEN
HUMAN!!

AFTER
ALL,
WHAT
CAUSE
IS
THERE
TO
HESI-
TATE?







DO YOU
HAVE ANY
IDEA WHAT
THAT
MEANS?!

BUT NOW HE
IS PUBLICLY
DECLARING THAT
VAMPIRES HAVE
**NO HUMAN
RIGHTS!**
HE'S GIVEN
TACIT
PERMISSION
TO KILL
THEM!!



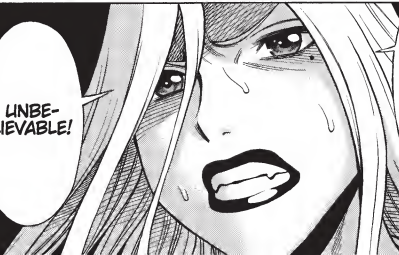
IT'S OKAY.
YOU DON'T
HAVE TO
WORRY...

WE'LL DO
EVERYTHING
WE CAN TO
PROTECT
YOU.



KIMURA-
SAN.

YOU'LL
BE
JUST
FINE...



UNBE-
LIEVABLE!

IT JUST
BECAME
TACITLY
LEGALIZED
MURDER!

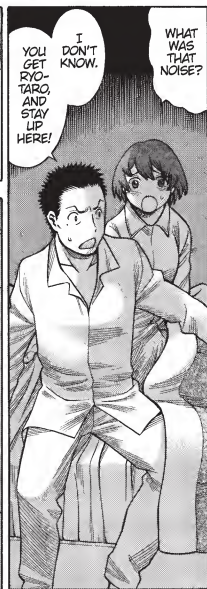
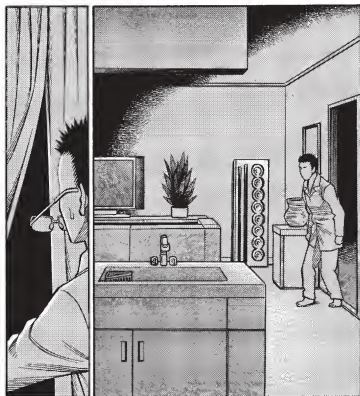
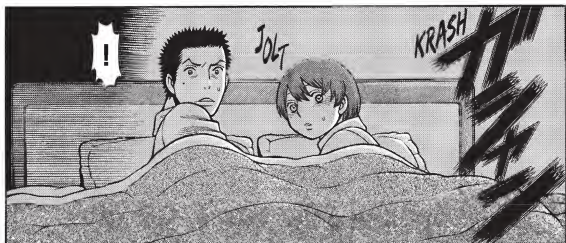


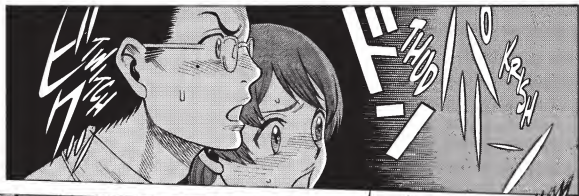
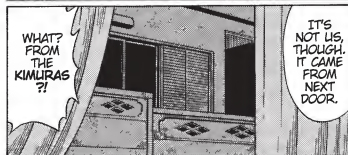
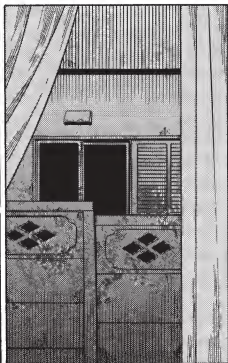
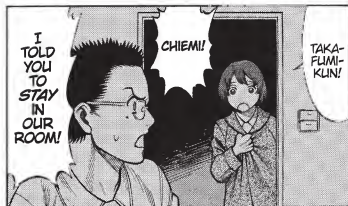
THIS IS
GOING TO
END IN
DISASTER!

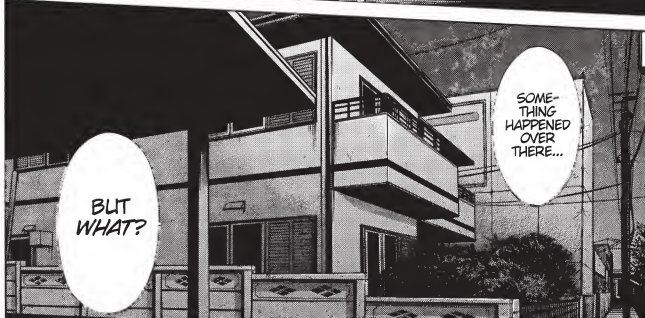
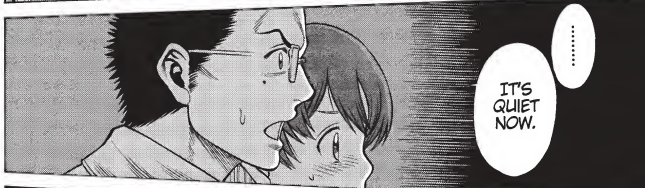
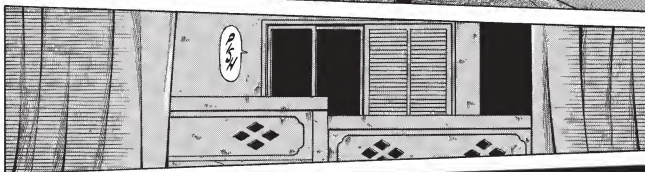
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~ONE WEEK AGO~









I WON'T.

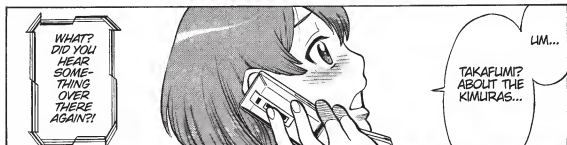
YEAH, BUT I WILL COME HOME, NO MATTER WHAT, OKAY? ONCE IT GETS DARK, YOU LOCK THE DOORS AND WHATEVER YOU DO, DON'T LEAVE THE HOUSE.



OKAY.

YEAH, I KNOW.

OH? SO YOU'RE GOING TO BE HOME LATE TONIGHT?



WHAT? DID YOU HEAR SOMETHING OVER THERE AGAIN?!

UM...

TAKAFUMI? ABOUT THE KIMURAS...



BUT--

THAT WAS STILL A STUPID IDEA! ALL WE KNOW NOW IS THAT SOMETHING BAD HAPPENED TO THEM FOR SURE!!

DO YOU HAVE ANY IDEA HOW DANGEROUS THAT WAS?!



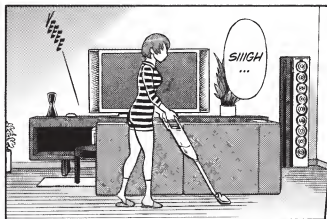
WHAT?! HOW COULD YOU DO THAT?!

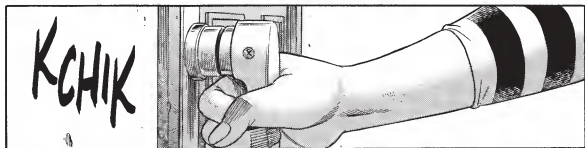
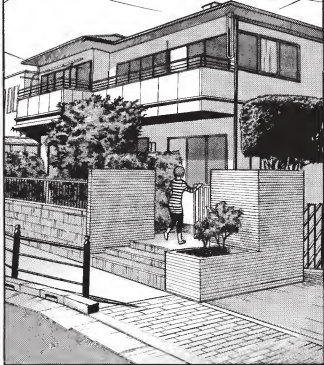
TAKAFUMI, LISTEN TO ME! WHEN I RANG THE BELL, I HEARD NOISES INSIDE. THEY'RE STILL IN THERE!



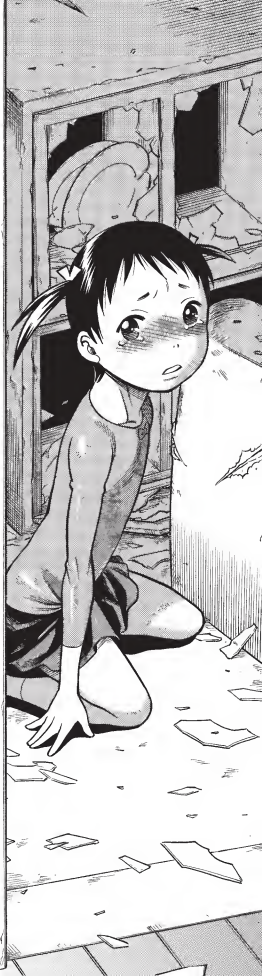
NO, BUT IT'S BEEN THREE DAYS, RIGHT?

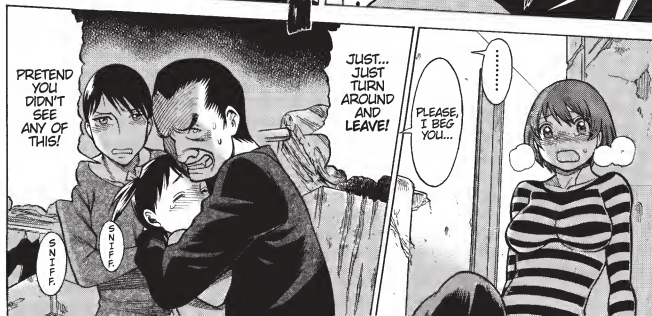
I THOUGHT ABOUT IT REALLY HARD, AND I DECIDED TO GO AND RING THEIR DOORBELL. SO, I DID IT.



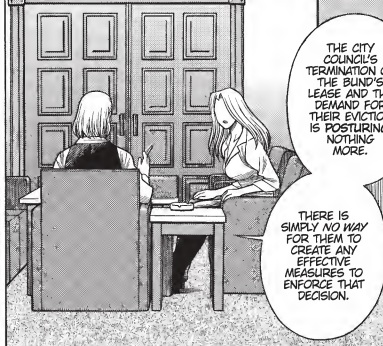






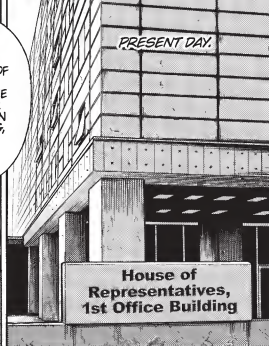






THE CITY COUNCIL'S TERMINATION OF THE BLIND'S LEASE AND THE DEMAND FOR THEIR EVICTION IS POSTURING, NOTHING MORE.

THERE IS SIMPLY NO WAY FOR THEM TO CREATE ANY EFFECTIVE MEASURES TO ENFORCE THAT DECISION.

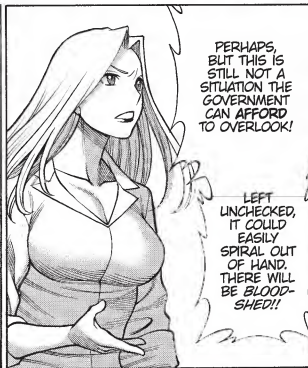


PRESENT DAY.

House of
Representatives,
1st Office Building



BLOOD-SHED, EH?

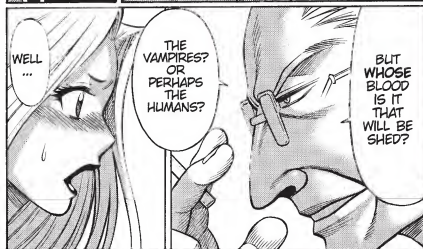


PERHAPS, BUT THIS IS STILL NOT A SITUATION THE GOVERNMENT CAN AFFORD TO OVERLOOK!

LEFT UNCHECKED, IT COULD EASILY SPIRAL OUT OF HAND. THERE WILL BE BLOOD-SHED!!



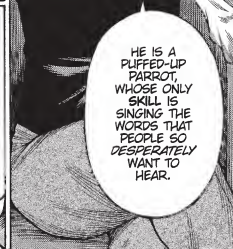
FORGET ABOUT THAT BLOWHARD OF A MAYOR.



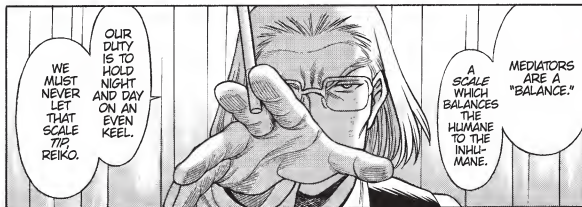
WELL ...

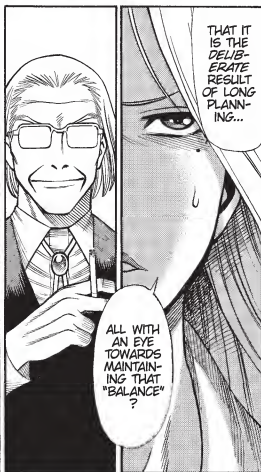
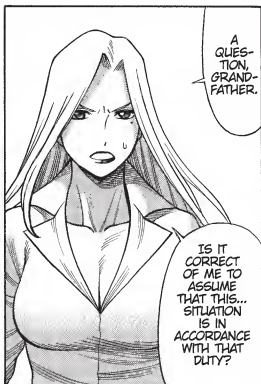
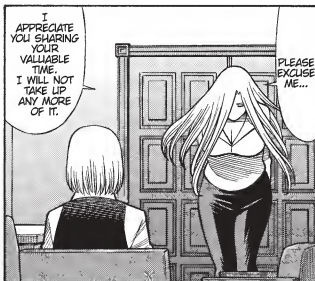
THE VAMPIRES? OR PERHAPS THE HUMANS?

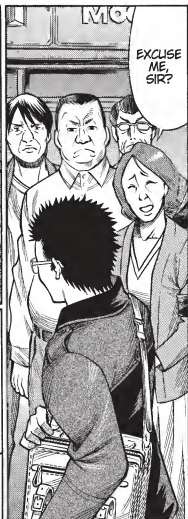
BUT WHOSE BLOOD IS IT THAT WILL BE SHED?



HE IS A PUFFED-UP PARROT, WHOSE ONLY SKILL IS SINGING THE WORDS THAT PEOPLE SO DESPERATELY WANT TO HEAR.









Y'KNOW,
YOU SURE
KNOW AN
AWFUL
LOT ABOUT
THOSE
BLOOD-
SUCKERS.



YOU
MEAN
"SHADE
GEL"?

THEY'VE
GOT THAT
CREAM
STUFF
THAT LETS
THEM
WALK
AROUND
IN SUN-
LIGHT.

THAT
STUFF
ONLY
LASTS
FIFTEEN
MINUTES.



LET ME
SEE WHAT
YOU'VE
GOT IN
THAT
BAG OF
YOURS.



YES,
WE'RE
NEIGH-
BORS.

HEY,
YOU
KNOW
HIM?

TSUCHIDA-
SAN,
PERFECT
TIMING!
PLEASE
TELL
THESE
GUYS I'M
NO
VAMPIRE!



TSU-
CHIDA-
SAN!

WATA-
NABE-
SAN?



IF THERE'S
NOTHING
SUSPICIOUS
IN THERE,
WHERE'S THE
PROBLEM IN
LETTING US
TAKE A
LOOK?

WHAT?
WHY
?!

IT'S
MY
BAG! YOU
GUYS DON'T
HAVE
ANY
RIGHT
TO---



I'VE
ALWAYS
LIKED
WATCHES.

O-
OH...

BUT I'VE
NEVER
BEEN
ABLE TO
AFFORD
A NICE
ONE,
Y'KNOW.



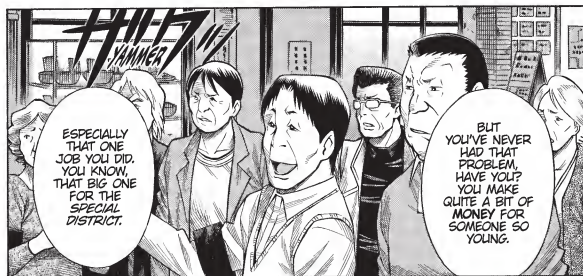
WHAT
A NICE
WATCH
YOU
HAVE...

A FRANK
MUELLER
DOUBLE-
FACE,
RIGHT?



I HAVE
TO HURRY
HOME.
I PROMISED
MY WIFE
I'D BE
BACK BY
5:30.

YOU
KNOW
HOW
MUCH
SHE
WOR-
RIES.



ESPECIALLY
THAT ONE
JOB YOU DID.
YOU KNOW,
THAT BIG ONE
FOR THE
SPECIAL
DISTRICT.

BUT
YOU'VE NEVER
HAD THAT
PROBLEM,
HAVE YOU?
YOU MAKE
QUITE A BIT OF
MONEY FOR
SOMEONE SO
YOUNG.



WHY
ARE YOU
HESITATING
TO SHOW
US?

IF THERE
ISN'T
ANYTHING
SUSPICIOUS
IN
THERE...



TSU-
CHIDA-
SAN
...?

WATA-
NABE-
SAN.



WATA-
NABE-
SAN...

LET
US
SEE.



AND YOU
SURE DON'T
HAVE ANY
RIGHT TO OPEN
UP OTHER
PEOPLES' BAGS
AND CONFISCATE
ANYTHING INSIDE
OF THEM. HOW
MANY TIMES AM
I GOING TO
HAVE TO TELL
YOU THIS?

WELL,
ISN'T THAT
SOME
GREET-
ING!

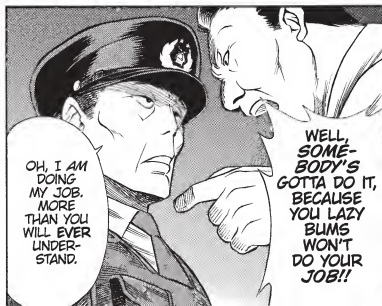
FOR THE
LIMPEENTH
TIME, YOU
HAVE NO
AUTHORITY
TO SEARCH
ANYBODY.

WHAT
DO YOU
WANT
?!



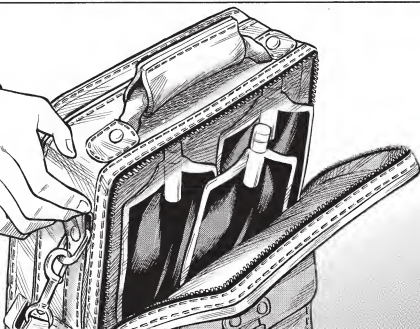
ARE
YOU LOT
AT IT
AGAIN?

HEY,
HEY,
HEY!



OH, I AM
DOING
MY JOB.
MORE
THAN YOU
WILL EVER
UNDER-
STAND.

WELL,
SOME-
BODY'S
GOTTA DO IT,
BECAUSE
YOU LAZY
BUMS
WON'T
DO YOUR
JOB!!





IT WAS ALL SO DARN NORMAL, IT WAS ALMOST A LETDOWN. I FELT STUPID FOR BOTHERING TO WEAR A DISGUISE.

I WENT TO THE PARK I FOUND ON THE INTERNET, THE ONE WHERE DEALERS ARE SUPPOSED TO HANG OUT.

SOME OLD GUY WAS THERE... WHEN I GAVE HIM THE MONEY, HE HANDED ME A KEY TO A TRAIN STATION LOCKER.

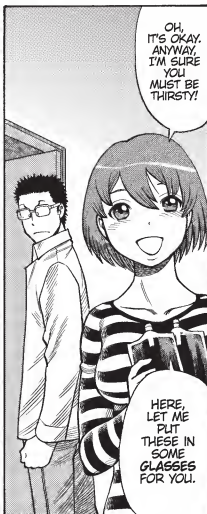
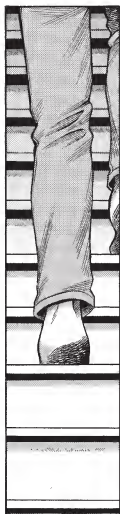


ERM....



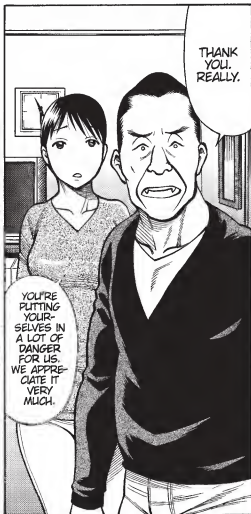
NOT REALLY. THAT WAS THE EASIEST PART, ACTUALLY.

OH, THANK GOODNESS! THESE MUST HAVE BEEN SO HARD FOR YOU TO GET.



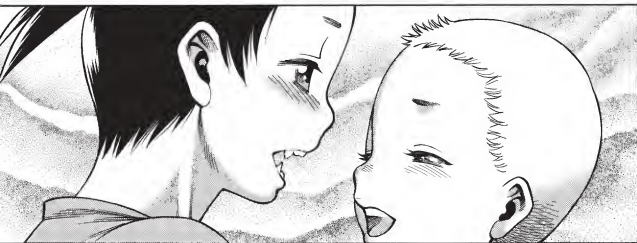
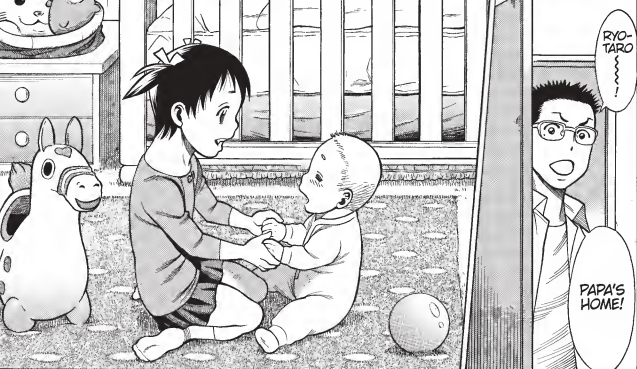
OH, IT'S OKAY. ANYWAY, I'M SURE YOU MUST BE THIRSTY!

HERE, LET ME PUT THESE IN SOME GLASSES FOR YOU.



THANK YOU. REALLY.

YOU'RE PUTTING YOURSELVES IN A LOT OF DANGER FOR US. WE APPRECIATE IT VERY MUCH.







THEY
HAVE
TO
LEAVE!

CHIEMI,
I JUST
CAN'T
DO
THIS!

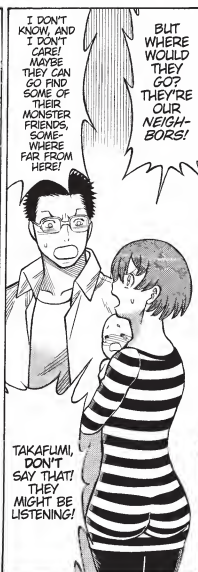
I CAN'T
KEEP
HIDING
THESE...
THESE
MONSTERS
IN MY
HOME!!



YES,
IT
IS!!

THAT'S
NOT--!

CHIEMI, LOOK.
I KNOW YOU
WANT TO
HELP THESE
VAMPIRES
BECAUSE
YOU'RE FRIENDS
WITH PRINCESS
MINA, BUT...



I DON'T
KNOW, AND
I DON'T
CARE!
MAYBE
THEY CAN
GO FIND
SOME OF
THEIR
MONSTER
FRIENDS,
SOME-
WHERE
FAR FROM
HERE!

BUT
WHERE
WOULD
THEY
GO?
THEY'RE
OUR
NEIGH-
BORS!



THEN
WHAT
IS
IT?!
TELL
ME!!

OKAY,
THAT'S
PART
OF IT!

BUT
THAT'S
NOT
ALL OF
IT!!

TAKAFUMI,
DON'T
SAY THAT!
THEY
MIGHT BE
LISTENING!



CHIEMI ...

SO I CAN'T
PRETEND
IT'S
SOMEONE
ELSE'S
PROBLEM.

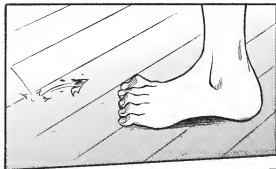
I
JUST
CAN'T!

THOSE
VAMPIRES
ATTACKED
THE
KIMURAS'
HOUSE
ON A
WHIM!

BECAUSE
IT
COULD
HAVE
BEEN
US!!



IF THAT
WHIM
HAD
CARRIED
THEM
JUST
ONE
MORE
DOOR
OVER,
IT
COULD
HAVE
BEEN
US
THAT
GOT
TURNED
INTO
VAMPIRES!

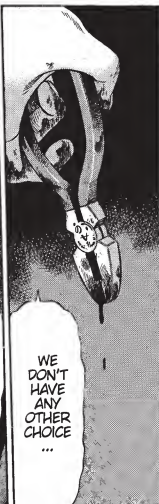


KIMLI-
RA-
SAN!



SO
WE'RE
GOING
TO DO
THE SAME
THING...
THAT WAY,
PEOPLE
WILL
FINALLY
UNDER-
STAND.

I HEARD
THERE WERE
SOME VAMPIRES
WHO PULLED
THEIR OWN
FANGS OUT,
TO PROVE TO
OTHERS THEY
WOULDN'T
ATTACK
HUMANS.



WE
DON'T
HAVE
ANY
OTHER
CHOICE
...



AAAAAGGH!!!

AAAAAAAH!!





I DIDN'T
HAVE A
CHOICE...
THE
DEADLINE
WAS TODAY.
THERE WAS
NO WAY
I COULD
SLIP OUT
EARLY.

YES.

YES.

I'M ON
MY WAY
HOME,
RIGHT
NOW.



I
COULDN'T
GET A
TAXI FOR
SUCH A
SHORT
TRIP...

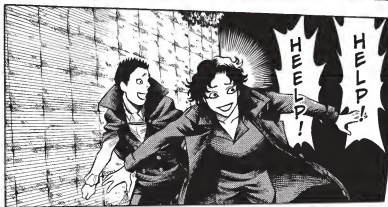
A
TAXI?

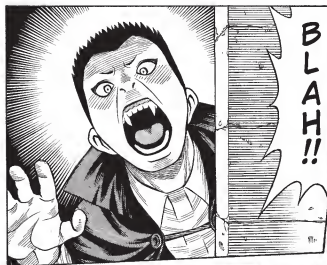


NORIKO,
WHAT'S
WRONG?

NO-
RIKO
?!







BLAH!!



GREAT!
LEMME
DO IT
THIS
TIME.
IT'S MY
TURN!

OOO!
HERE
COMES
SOME-
BODY
ELSE.



AAAAH!!



A A R G H !!

**THERE'S
ANOTHER
ONE!
GET
IT!!**

**WAIT!!
NO!!**

**YOU'VE
GOT IT
ALL
WRONG!!**

**AH!
NOOO!
STOP
!!**

**PLEASE
!!**

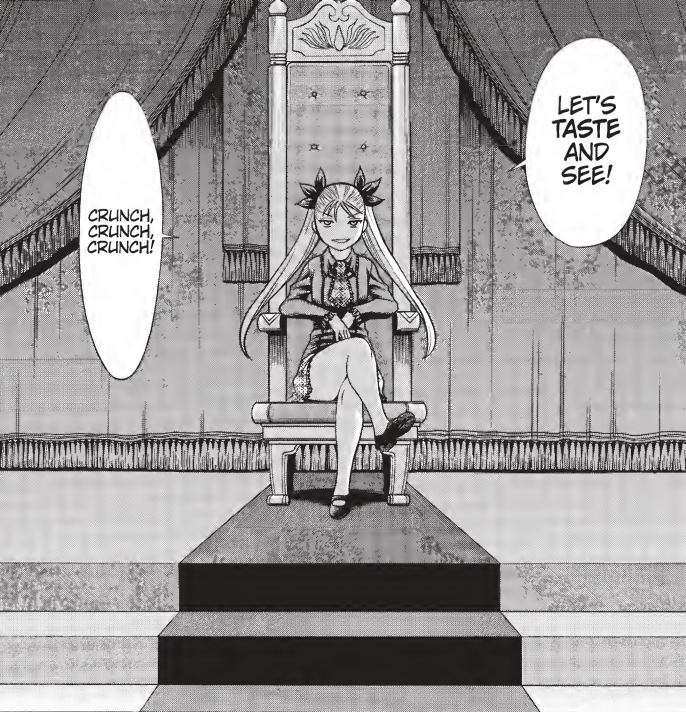
**SEE?!
I'M
NOT!!
I
SWEAR
I'M
NOT!!**

**I'M
NOT
A
VAMP-
IRE!!**



**IS IT
DONE?
IS IT
DONE?**

**LOOK!
LOOK!
THE
POT IS
BOILING!**



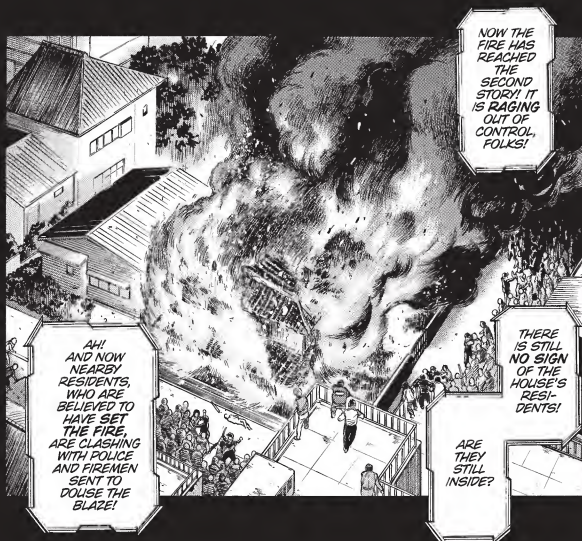
CRUNCH,
CRUNCH,
CRUNCH!

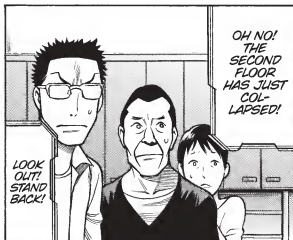
LET'S
TASTE
AND
SEE!



OOH!
IT'S
DONE!

Chapter 75: Abyss





LOOK
OUT!
STAND
BACK!

OH NO!
THE
SECOND
FLOOR
HAS JUST
COL-
LAPSED!



OTADA-SAN!
IS IT TRUE
THAT THE
RESIDENTS
OF THIS
HOUSE WERE
VAMPIRES?

THAT
INFORMATION
HAS NOT
YET BEEN
CONFIRMED.
HOWEVER,
IT HAS BEEN
RUMORED
IN THIS
AREA FOR
SOME TIME.



THIS
IS
UNBE-
LIEV-
ABLE!

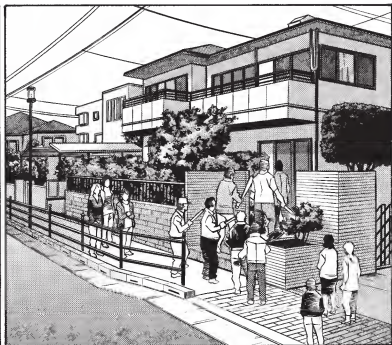
WHAT
THE
HELL
...?

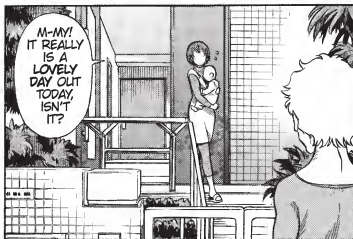
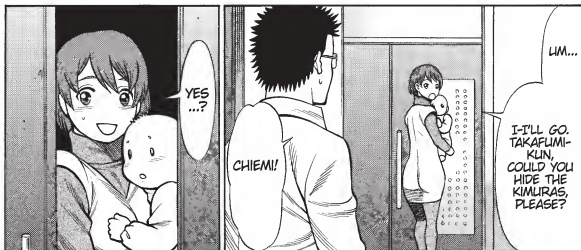


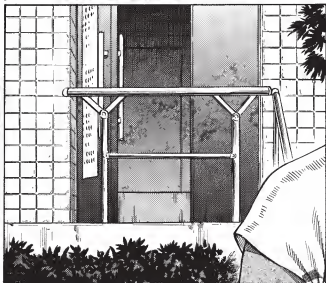
WHAT
WAS
THAT?

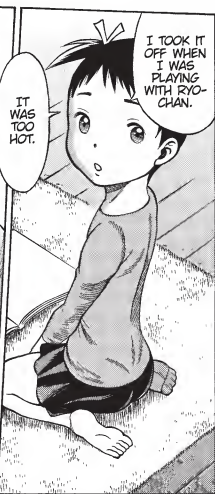
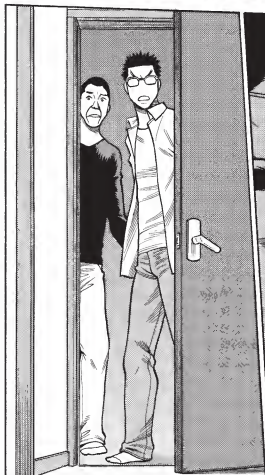
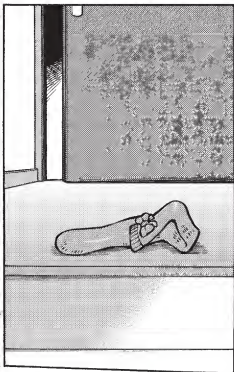


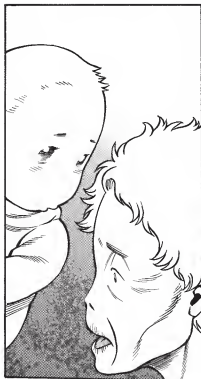
KRAASH











OH NO!



ER...

I-IT'S OKAY.
I DON'T MIND...
BABIES WILL DO THAT.

OH MY GOOD-
NESS,
I'M SO SORRY!

GREAT
MOVE,
RYO-
CHAN!



BAAA
~!

RYO-
CHAN!

OUCH!



SEE YOU!

THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR CONCERN!!

IF THERE'S ANYTHING WE CAN DO TO HELP-- ANYTHING AT ALL-- DON'T HESITATE TO ASK.

SINCE IT HAPPENED SO CLOSE TO US, WE CAN'T JUST SIT BACK AND WATCH!



GOOD MORNING, NULMAI-SAN.

SEEMS LIKE SOMETHING SERIOUS HAS HAPPENED TO OUR NEIGHBORS OVER THERE!



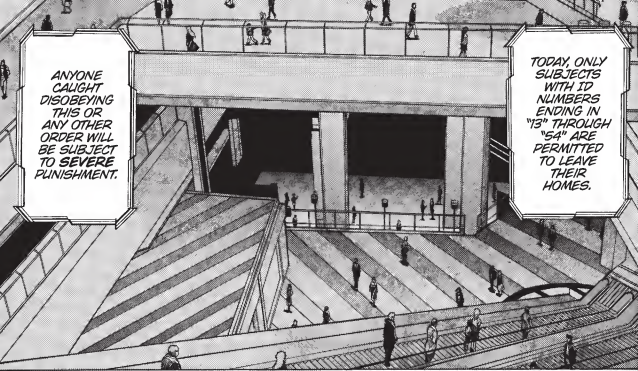
W H E W.



IT ALL FEELS SO UNREAL ...

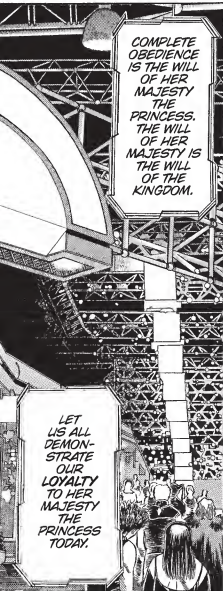


I CAN HARDLY BELIEVE THIS IS ACTUALLY HAPPENING.



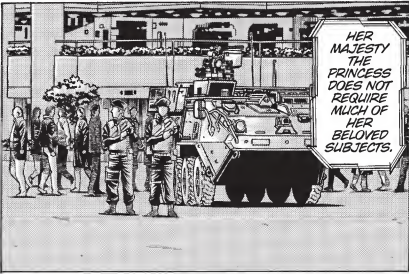
ANYONE
CAUGHT
DISOBEYING
THIS OR
ANY OTHER
ORDER WILL
BE SUBJECT
TO SEVERE
PUNISHMENT.

TODAY, ONLY
SUBJECTS
WITH ID
NUMBERS
ENDING IN
"13" THROUGH
"54" ARE
PERMITTED
TO LEAVE
THEIR
HOMES.

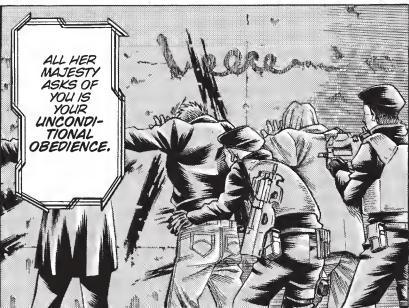


COMPLETE
OBEDIENCE
IS THE WILL
OF HER
MAJESTY
THE
PRINCESS.
THE WILL
OF HER
MAJESTY IS
THE WILL
OF THE
KINGDOM.

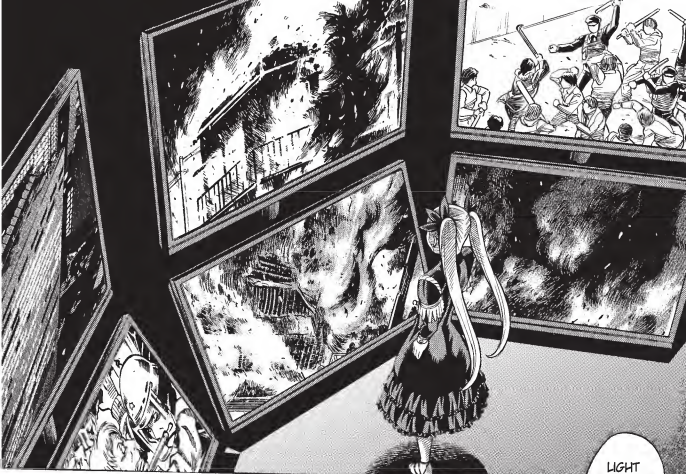
LET
US ALL
DEMON-
STRATE
OUR
LOYALTY
TO HER
MAJESTY
THE
PRINCESS
TODAY.



HER
MAJESTY
THE
PRINCESS
DOES NOT
REQUIRE
MUCH OF
HER
BELOVED
SUBJECTS.



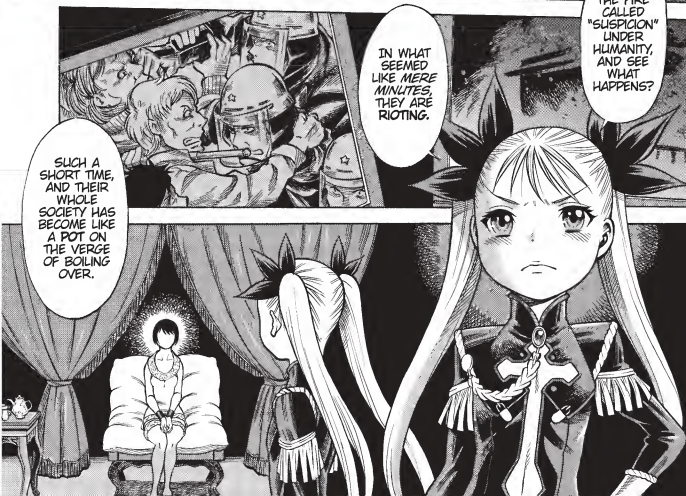
ALL HER
MAJESTY
ASKS OF
YOU IS
YOUR
UNCONDI-
TIONAL
OBEDIENCE.

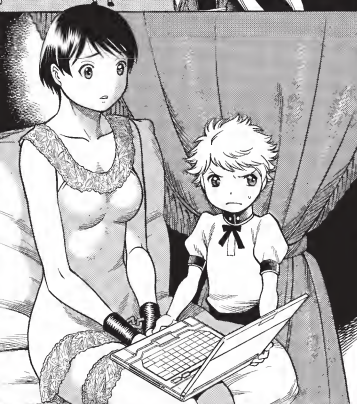
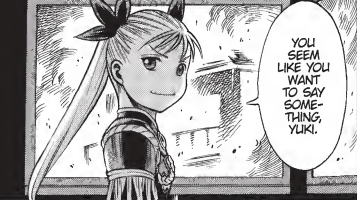


LIGHT
THE FIRE
CALLED
"SUSPICION"
UNDER
HUMANITY,
AND SEE
WHAT
HAPPENS?

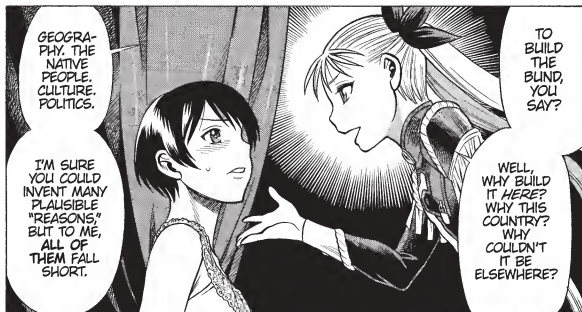
IN WHAT
SEEMED
LIKE MERE
MINUTES,
THEY ARE
RIOTING.

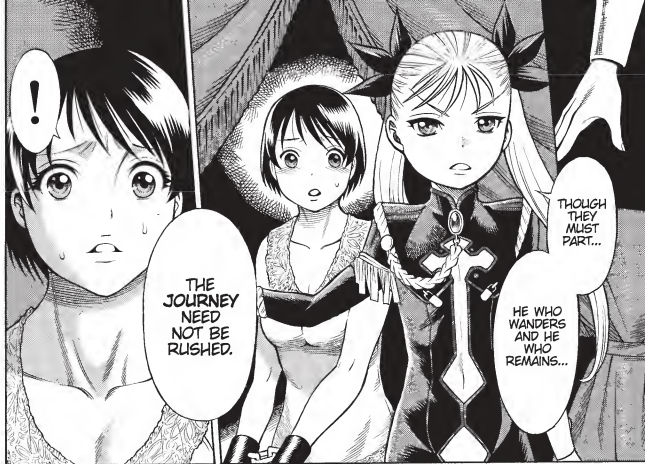
SUCH A
SHORT TIME,
AND THEIR
WHOLE
SOCIETY HAS
BECOME LIKE
A POT ON
THE VERGE
OF BOILING
OVER.







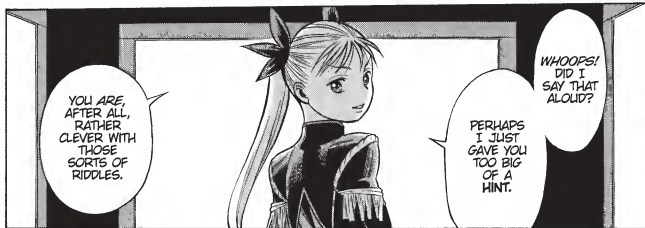




THE
JOURNEY
NEED
NOT BE
RUSHED.

THOUGH
THEY
MUST
PART...

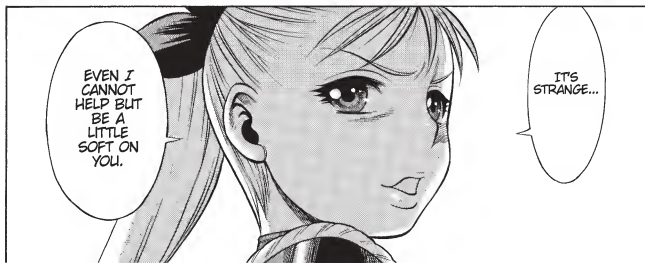
HE WHO
WANDERS
AND HE
WHO
REMAINS...



YOU ARE,
AFTER ALL,
RATHER
CLEVER WITH
THOSE
SORTS OF
RIDDLES.

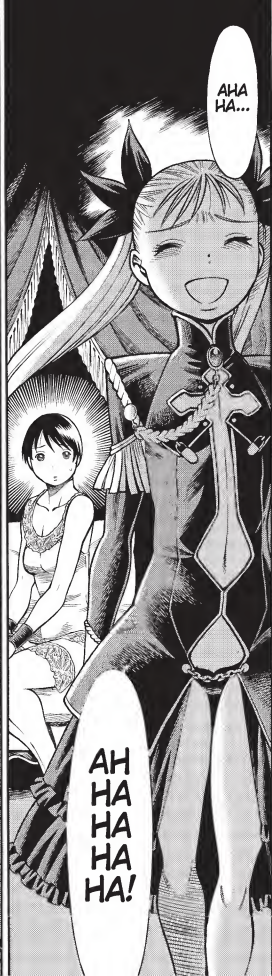
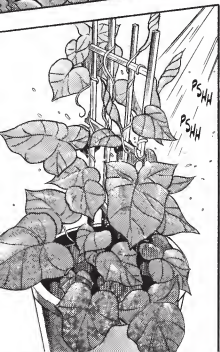
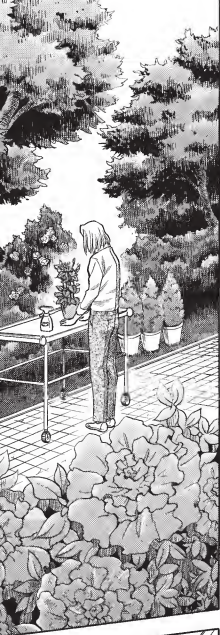
WHOOOPS!
DID I
SAY THAT
ALoud?

PERHAPS
I JUST
GAVE YOU
TOO BIG
OF A
HINT.



EVEN I
CANNOT
HELP BUT
BE A
LITTLE
SOFT ON
YOU.

IT'S
STRANGE...





WHY DID YOU CALL ME HERE? HAS THE FAKE PRINCESS FINALLY DECIDED TO PUNISH ME FOR MY "DISOBEDIENCE" BACK THEN?

SURE, WHATEVER. CAN WE GET TO BUSINESS NOW?

IT WILL HAVE BEAUTIFUL FLOWERS, I'M SURE.

THERE. SEE HOW GREEN AND VIBRANT IT IS?



I DON'T GIVE A DAMN ABOUT BLOOD-LINES, UNLIKE YOU NOBLE TYPES.

I'M NOT GONNA DITCH ONE "PRINCESS" FOR ANOTHER OVER SOME DUMB TRIVIALITY LIKE THAT.



LIKE I CARE. I'VE ONLY BEEN A TEPES SUBJECT FOR A FEW MONTHS NOW, Y'KNOW.

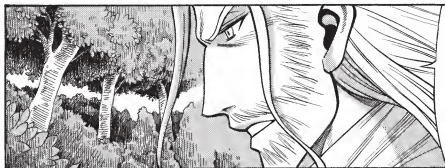
TO ME, THE PRINCESS MINA WHO SAVED ME AND RULI IS THE ONLY PRINCESS MINA.



THE "FAKE" PRINCESS, HM?

THAT ALONE IS ENOUGH TO CHARGE YOU WITH *LESE MAJESTE**.

*lese majeste is the crime of violating the dignity of a reigning sovereign in an absolute monarchy. Essentially, the crime of treason.



MY LOYALTY TO
HOUSE TEPE'S
HAS LASTED FOR
OVER 200 YEARS.
I DO NOT LIKE
TO HEAR IT
SPOKEN OF
SO LIGHTLY.



JUST SAY
THINGS
STRAIGHT!
DO
THINGS
STRAIGHT!!



FORGET
ABOUT
HOWEVER
LONG
IT'S BEEN!
FORGET
ABOUT THE
STUPID LAWS
AND RULES,
AND
ETIQUETTE
AND
STUFF!!

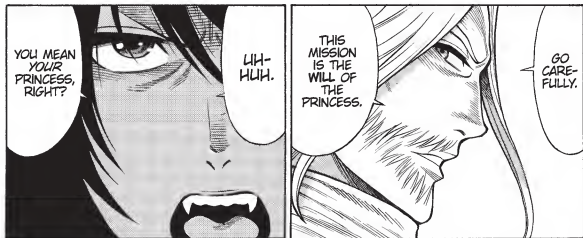
NO,
MAN!
OTHER
WAY
AROUND!

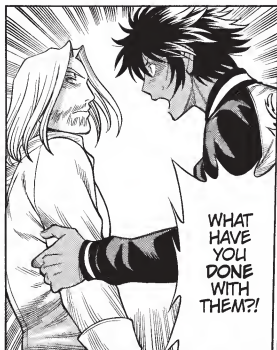
I'M
SAYING
200
YEARS
IS WAY
TOO
LONG
FOR
ANYONE
TO
BEAR!



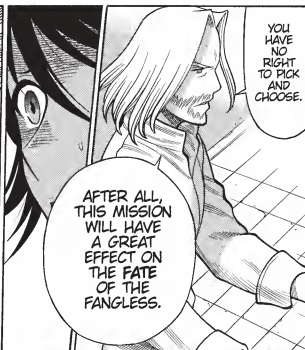
TELL ME.
STRAIGHT
OUT, NO
BULLSHIT.

WHAT
DO YOU
REALLY
THINK
ABOUT
ALL
THIS?



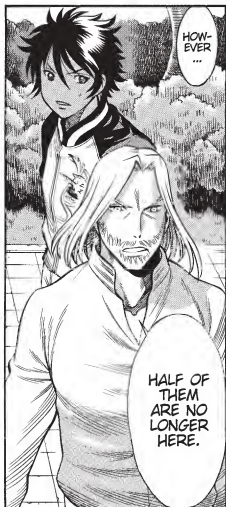


WHAT
HAVE
YOU
DONE
WITH
THEM?!



YOU
HAVE
NO
RIGHT
TO PICK
AND
CHOOSE.

AFTER ALL,
THIS MISSION
WILL HAVE
A GREAT
EFFECT ON
THE FATE
OF THE
FANGLESS.



HOW-
EVER
...

HALF OF
THEM
ARE NO
LONGER
HERE.



THEY
LIVE.



EVER
SINCE THE
ESCAPE,
THE WHOLE
FANGLESS
DISTRICT
HAS BEEN
SEALED
OFF!

YOU
BETTER
NOT
TELL ME
THEY'RE--!

I
HAVEN'T
SEEN
ANY OF
THEM
AROUND
THE
BLIND IN
WEEKS!



IF YOU
WANT TO
KNOW
WHAT
HAPPENED
TO THEM...

THEN STOP
QUIBBLING
AND
DO YOUR
DUTY.



WHA
?!

THEY ARE,
LIKE YOU
WILL
SOON BE,
WORKING
ON A
MISSION
FOR ME,
AWAY FROM
THE BUND.



.....



BUT FOR
SOME
REASON,
I *STILL*
TRUST
YOU.

I KNOW
THIS IS
DUMB...



GOD,
I KNOW
I GOTTA
QUIT BEING
STUPID, BUT
I KEEP
DOING
STUFF
LIKE THIS,
OVER AND
OVER.



SIXTEEN
RESIDENTIAL
HOMES HAVE
BEEN DESTROYED
BY EITHER
SPONTANEOUS
MOBS OF CITIZENS,
GONE CRAZY
FROM FEAR,
OR BY ORGANIZED
NEIGHBORING
RESIDENTS.

THERE
HAVE
BEEN
THIRTY-
FOUR
REPORTED
CASUAL-
TIES.

SPONTANEOUS
"VAMPIRE HUNTS"
BY CITIZENS
HAVE NOW
BEEN REPORTED
ACROSS
THE ENTIRE
GREATER
METROPOLITAN
AREA.

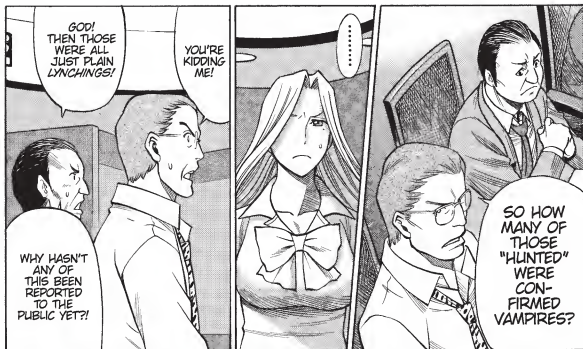


WE HAVE
NO WAY OF
KNOWING
HOW MANY
OTHER
INCIDENTS
HAVE NOT
YET COME
TO LIGHT.

HOWEVER,
THESE
NUMBERS
REPRESENT
ONLY THOSE
INCIDENTS
THAT HAVE
BEEN
OFFICIALLY
REPORTED.

第二十三回 对吸血鬼特别治安对策連絡会議

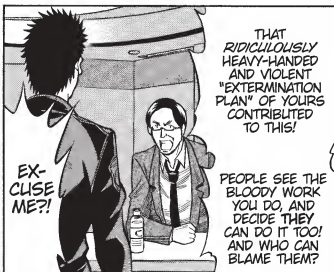
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Multi-Departmental
Anti-Vampire
Special Planning
Committee Meeting





OUR
OPERATION
INVOLVES
THOROUGH
INVESTIGA-
TION AT
EVERY
STEP!

AS OF
RIGHT
NOW, ALL
TARGETS
WE HAVE
ELIMINATED
WERE CON-
FIRMED
VAMPIRES!



THAT
RIDICULOUSLY
HEAVY-HANDED
AND VIOLENT
"EXTERMINATION
PLAN" OF YOURS
CONTRIBUTED
TO THIS!

EX-
CLUSE
ME?!

PEOPLE SEE THE
BLOODY WORK
YOU DO, AND
DECIDE THEY
CAN DO IT TOO!
AND WHO CAN
BLAME THEM?



THERE YOU
GO AGAIN...
THE POLICE HAVE
ALWAYS HAD THE
HABIT OF FLYING
OFF THE HANDLE
WHenever THEY
THINK THEIR
PRECIOUS
"BROTHERHOOD"
IS THREATENED.



AND I WILL HAVE
YOU KNOW THAT OUR
OFFICERS AND FIRE-
FIGHTERS, ACROSS THIS
ENTIRE CITY, HAVE BEEN
WORKING TIRELESSLY TO
SAVE THE VICTIMS OF
THOSE ATROCITIES, EVER
SINCE THE VERY FIRST
ATTACK! YOU HAVE NO
IDEA HOW MANY OF
THEM HAVE FALLEN
VICTIM THEMSELVES!

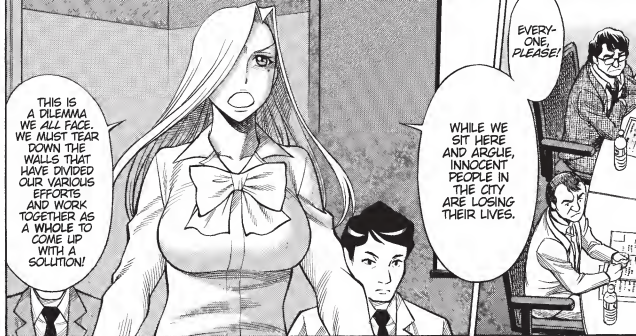
WE KNOW
BETTER THAN
ANY OF
YOU HOW
DANGEROUS
THESE
CREATURES
ARE!



SAY
WHAT-
EVER
YOU
WANT,
IT
CHANGES
NO-
THING!



I WILL NOT
SIT HERE AND
LISTEN TO
ALL OF YOU--
YOU WHO'VE
SAT AROUND
WATCHING
THE ENTIRE
TIME--
BELITTLING
THEIR
EFFORTS!!



THIS IS
A DILEMMA
WE ALL FACE.
WE MUST TEAR
DOWN THE
WALLS THAT
HAVE DIVIDED
OUR VARIOUS
EFFORTS
AND WORK
TOGETHER AS
A WHOLE TO
COME UP
WITH A
SOLUTION!

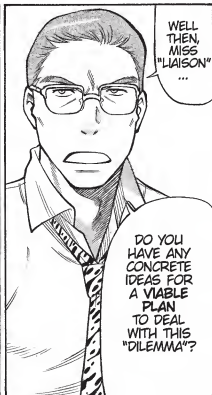
EVERY-
ONE,
PLEASE!

WHILE WE
SIT HERE
AND ARGUE,
INNOCENT
PEOPLE IN
THE CITY
ARE LOSING
THEIR LIVES.



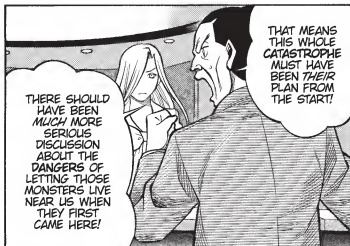
IT WAS THE JOB
OF THE SPECIAL
DISTRICT'S LIAISON
OFFICE TO PUT A
COLLAR ON THOSE
BEASTS AND MAKE
SURE THEY
BEHAVED THEM-
SELVES AROUND
US DECENT
FOLK, WAS IT
NOT?!

WHEN YOU GET
RIGHT DOWN
TO IT, IT IS AN
INDISPUTABLE
FACT THAT
YOUR INCOMPE-
TENCE IS WHAT
CAUSED THIS
SITUATION TO
SPIRAL OUT OF
CONTROL!



WELL
THEN,
MISS
"LIAISON"
...

DO YOU
HAVE ANY
CONCRETE
IDEAS FOR
A VIABLE
PLAN
TO DEAL
WITH THIS
"DILEMMA"?



THAT MEANS
THIS WHOLE
CATASTROPHE
MUST HAVE
BEEN THEIR
PLAN FROM
THE START!

THERE SHOULD
HAVE BEEN
MUCH MORE
SERIOUS
DISCUSSION
ABOUT THE
DANGERS OF
LETTING THOSE
MONSTERS LIVE
NEAR US WHEN
THEY FIRST
CAME HERE!



BUT LOOK
AT WHAT'S
HAPPENING!
THEY'RE
SITTING
AROUND,
TWIDDLING
THEIR
THUMBS!

WHAT OF
PRINCESS
MINA?
WHAT OF
THE BUND
GOVERN-
MENT?
THEY'RE ALL
STANDING
BACK AND
WATCHING!!



A-
ANY-
WAY!

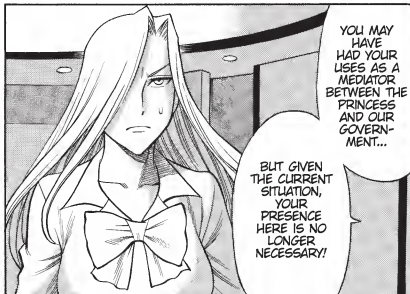
YOU,
YOUNG LADY,
MAY HAVE
GOTTEN THE ROYAL
TREATMENT IN
THE MINISTRY OF
FOREIGN AFFAIRS,
THANKS TO YOUR
GRANDFATHER'S
REPUTATION...

BUT YOU
WILL GET
NO SUCH
PREFER-
ENTIAL
TREAT-
MENT
HERE!



THOSE ARE
HARDLY THE
WORDS I EXPECTED
TO HEAR OUT OF
THE MINISTRY OF
HEALTH. WASN'T IT
THANKS TO THE
BUND'S LEASE
THAT YOU GOT ALL
THOSE ADVISORY
COMMITTEES
AND AUXILIARY
COMMISSIONS?

OH
REALLY,
NOW.



YOU MAY
HAVE
HAD YOUR
USES AS A
MEDIATOR
BETWEEN THE
PRINCESS
AND OUR GOVERN-
MENT...

BUT GIVEN
THE CURRENT
SITUATION,
YOUR
PRESENCE
HERE IS NO
LONGER
NECESSARY!

HOW MUCH
FUNDING DID
YOU MANAGE
TO SIPHON
OFF OF THAT,
ANYWAY? I BET
YOUR UPPER
EXECS FOUND
A LOT OF
REALLY FOSH
"RETIREMENT"
JOBS.

WHATEVER OPPORTUNITY
WE HAD
TO BE
INVOLVED
IS NOW
GONE.

SO THE GOVERNMENT HAS
DECIDED TO TREAT
THE MATTER
AS A SOLELY
INTERNAL AFFAIR,
THEN.

WHAT,
THAT
AGAIN?!
YOU'VE
GOT
TO BE
KIDDING
ME!

WE CAN BEGIN
OPERATION
AS SOON AS
OUR REQUEST
FOR FUNDING
HAS BEEN
APPROVED...

OUR
MAIN
PROBLEM IS
WHAT TO DO
NOW.

IF THINGS
DEGENERATE
MUCH
FURTHER, THE
GOVERNMENT
MAY NEED
TO MOVE
THE CAPITAL
AWAY FROM
TOKYO.

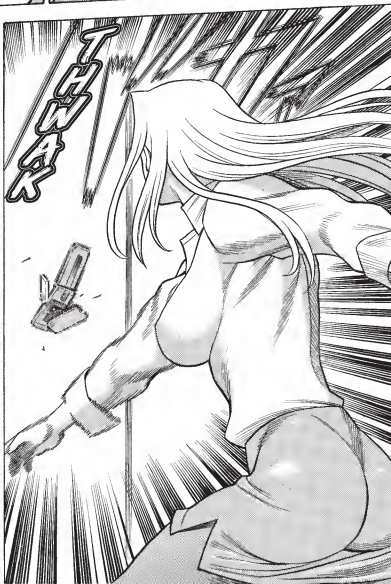
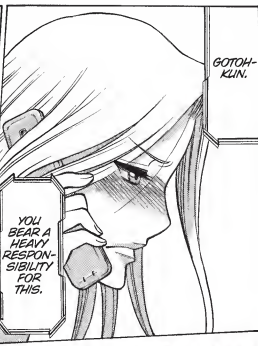
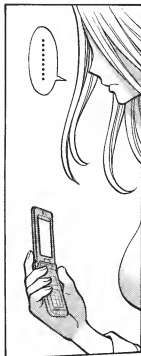
OUR
MINISTRY HAS
BEEN GIVEN
EXCLUSIVE
RIGHTS TO
SET UP AN
ADVISORY
COMMITTEE TO
RESEARCH THE
FEASIBILITY
OF THAT
PARTICULAR
COURSE OF
ACTION.

IT'S
PROBABLY
WISE TO
CONSIDER
MOVING IT,
EVEN IF ONLY
TEMPORARILY.

I KNOW A
LOT OF
MUNICIPALITIES
WILL
PROBABLY
LOVE
THAT

WHEN
WILL
THAT BE
UP AND
RUNNING
?

THIS MEANS
THE ENTIRE
MINISTRY OF
FOREIGN AFFAIRS
HAS BEEN
SHOVED TO
THE SIDE-
LINES IN
THIS
PARTICULAR
NATIONAL
ISSUE.





GOD,
WE
ARE
DONE!

FIN-
ISHED
!!

AT THIS
RATE,
THE
ENTIRE
COUNTRY
IS GOING
TO FALL
APART!!



PEOPLE
ARE
DYING
OUT
THERE,
AND ALL
THEY
CARE
ABOUT IS
POLITICS!

ARE THEIR
TERRITORIAL
PISSING
MATCHES
REALLY
THAT
IMPORTANT
TO
THEM?!



YOU
SURE
ABOUT
THAT?

LEMME GIVE
YOU SOME
GOOD NEWS.
SEE, WE JUST
GOT A SHOT
AT A COME-
FROM-BEHIND,
GRAND
SLAM WIN.



WHAT
DO YOU
WANT
ME TO
DO?!

THERE
ISN'T
ANYTHING
LEFT
THAT
WE CAN
DO!!



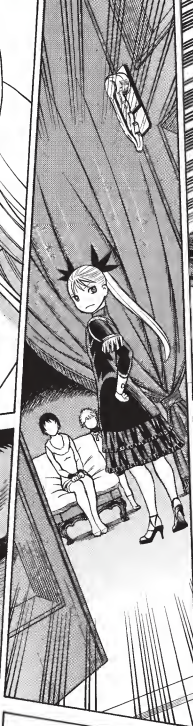
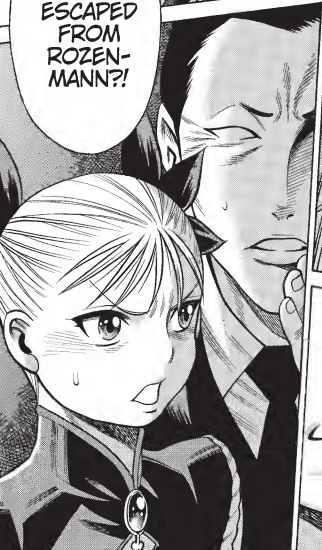
HEY, NOW,
THROWING
IN THE
TOWEL
ALREADY?

THIS
FIGHT'S
JUST
GETTIN'
STARTED.



IT'S MINA-HIME.

SHE HAS...
ESCAPED
FROM
ROZEN-
MANN?!



.....

WHAT
?!



SM/RX



WHAT
...?

HER
MAJESTY'S
WHERE-
ABOUTS
ARE
PRESENTLY
UNKNOWN.

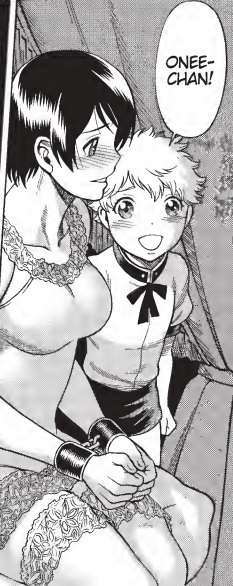
IT SEEMS
BEOWULF
ATTACKED
ROZENMANN'S
CASTLE,
DESTROYING
IT COM-
PLETELY.

I GOT
A CALL
FROM
ONE OF
MY
BUDDIES
IN THE
CIA.

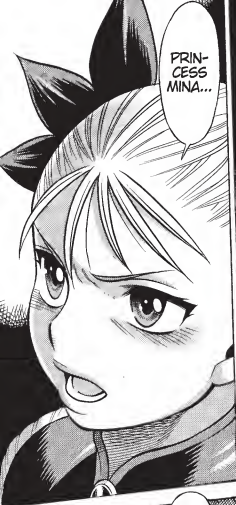


WHAT
HAP-
PENED
TO
HER?

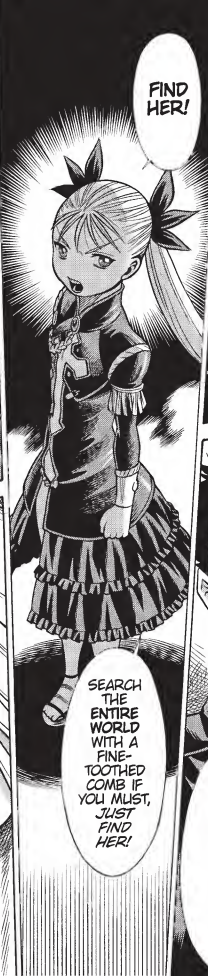
WHERE
WAS
SHE
HEADED
?!



ONEE-
CHAN!



PRIN-
CESS
MINA...

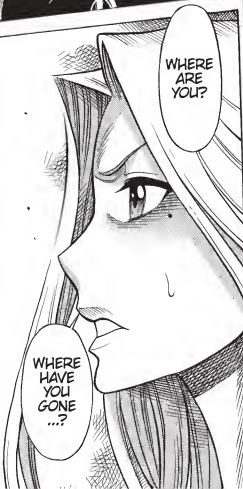


FIND
HER!



UN-
KNOWN,
YOUR
MAJ-
ESTY.

HOW-
EVER...



WHERE
ARE
YOU?

WHERE
HAVE
YOU
GONE
...?



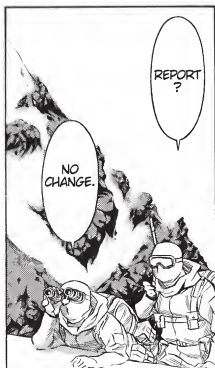
THIS IS
HER
WE'RE
TALKING
ABOUT.

YOU
JUST
KNOW
SHE'S
UP TO
SOME-
THING.

SEARCH
THE
ENTIRE
WORLD
WITH A
FINE-
TOOTHED
COMB IF
YOU MUST,
JUST
FIND
HER!

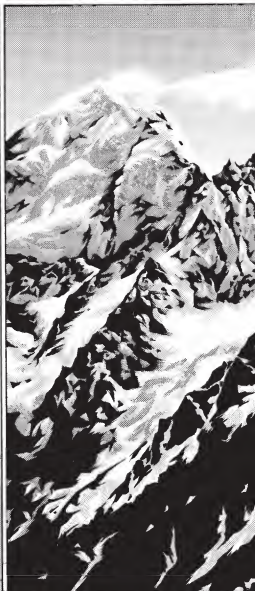


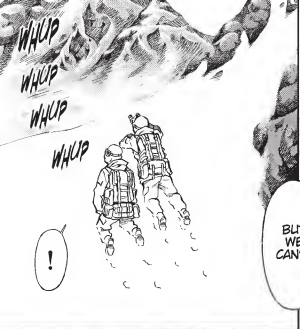
**SOMEWHERE IN EUROPE,
DEEP IN THE ALPS.**



NO
CHANGE.

REPORT
?

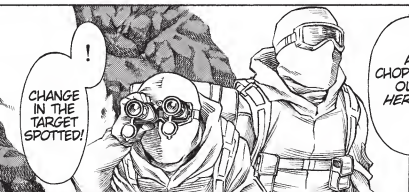




IF WE
COULD
GET ANY
CLOSER,
WE MIGHT
BE ABLE
TO SEE
SOME-
THING...

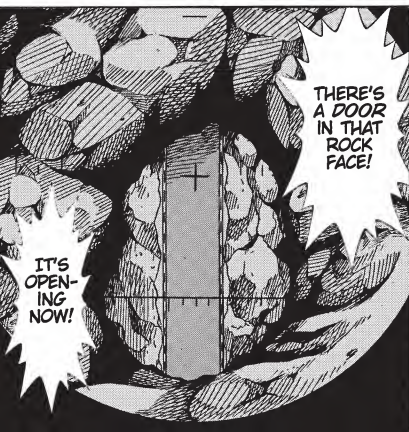
BUT
WE CAN'T.

THAT
PLACE
LOOKS
LIKE JUST
ANOTHER
ROCK
FACE
FROM
HERE.



!
CHANGE
IN THE
TARGET
SPOTTED!

A
CHOPPER?
OUT
HERE?!

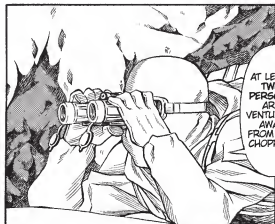


THERE'S
A DOOR
IN THAT
ROCK
FACE!

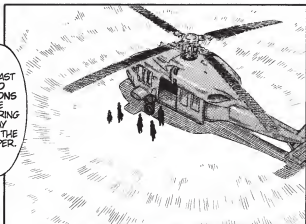
IT'S
OPEN-
ING
NOW!



WHUP
WHUP
WHUP



AT LEAST TWO PERSONS ARE VENTURING AWAY FROM THE CHOPPER.



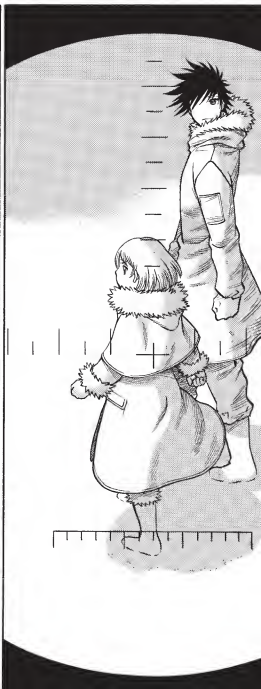
THAT'S PRINCESS MINA ALL RIGHT!!

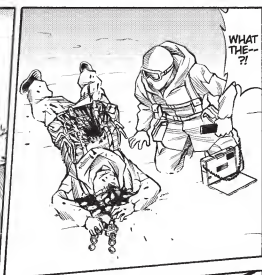
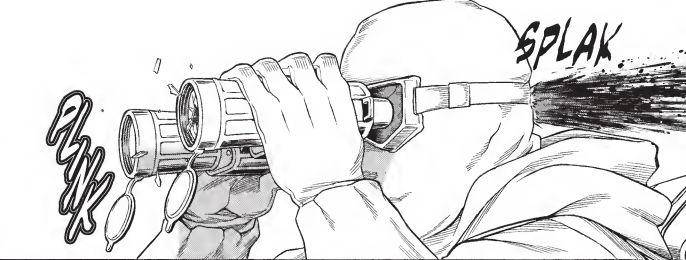
BINGO!

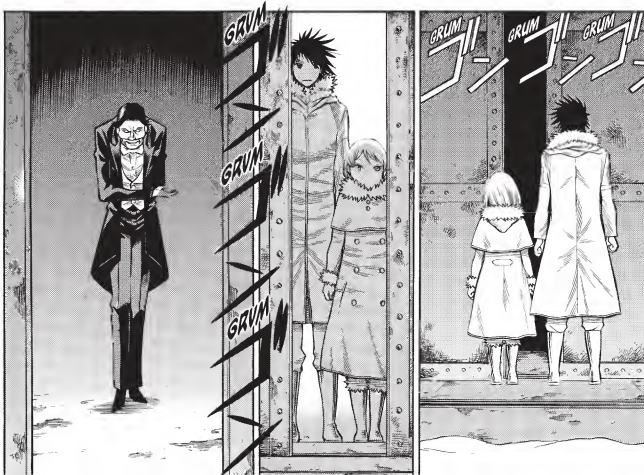
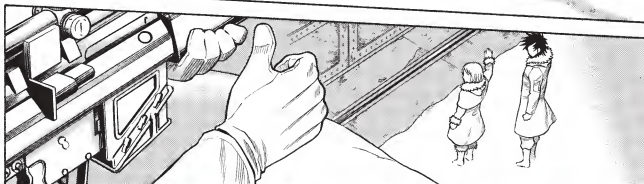
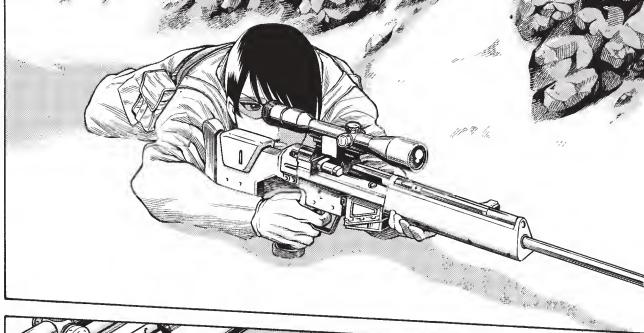


TELL THEM TO SEND UP A STRIKE TEAM, RIGH--

GET HQ ON THE LINE, STAT! LET THEM KNOW WE'VE FOUND HER!!









LORD
SPAL-
LANZANI.

I AM
GLAD TO
SEE YOU
ALIVE
AND WELL,
TOO.

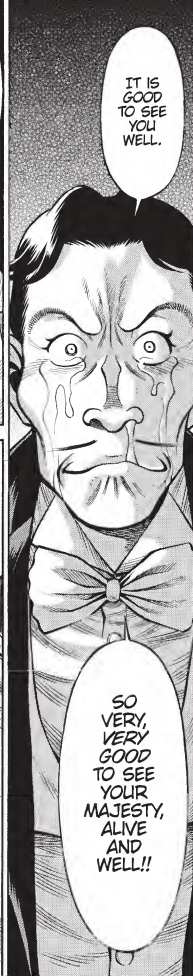


NOW,
COME
INSIDE.

YOU
HONOR
ME,
YOUR
MAJESTY!

COME,
COME!

IT IS
DREAD-
FULLY
COLD
OUTSIDE.
PLEASE,
COME IN
AND
WARM
YOURSELF.



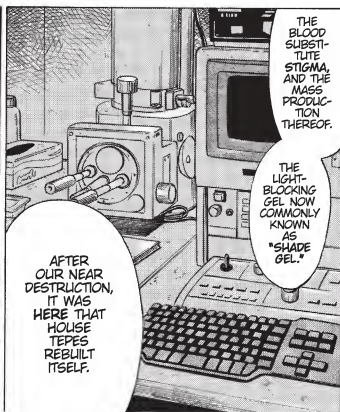
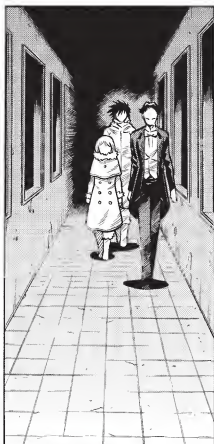
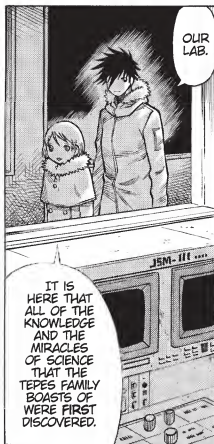
IT IS
GOOD
TO SEE
YOU
WELL.

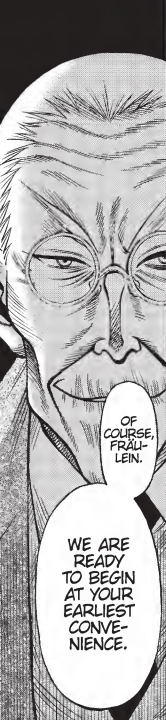
SO
VERY,
VERY
GOOD
TO SEE
YOUR
MAJESTY,
ALIVE
AND
WELL!!



YOUR
MAJ-
ESTY...

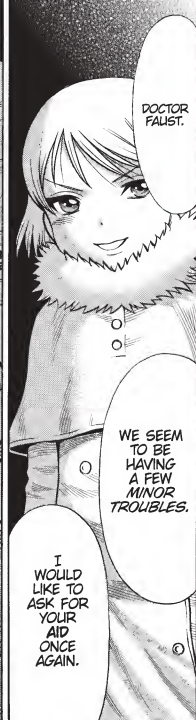
WELCOME
TO OUR
HUMBLE
ABODE.





OF
COURSE,
FRÄU-
LEIN.

WE ARE
READY
TO BEGIN
AT YOUR
EARLIEST
CONVE-
NIENCE.



DOCTOR
FAUST.

WE SEEM
TO BE
HAVING
A FEW
MINOR
TROUBLES.

I
WOULD
LIKE TO
ASK FOR
YOUR
AID
ONCE
AGAIN.



WEL-
COME,
MY
LADY.

WELCOME
TO THE
BER-
GAMASQUE
LABORA-
TORIES.



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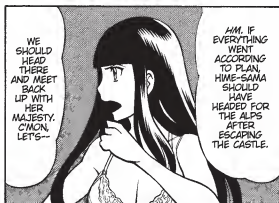
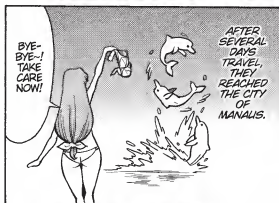
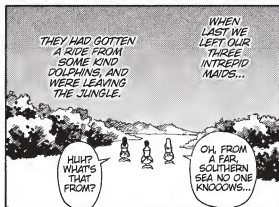


WELL
THEN...

LET US
BEGIN
THE
COUNTER-
ATTACK!!

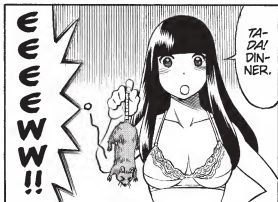
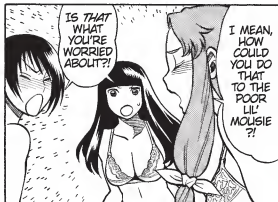
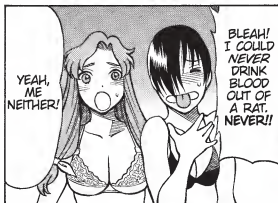
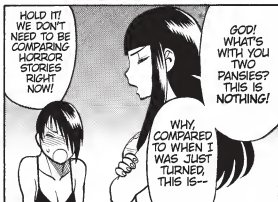
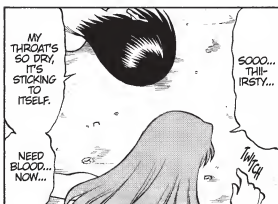
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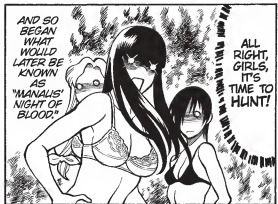
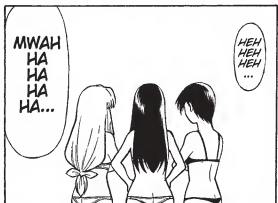
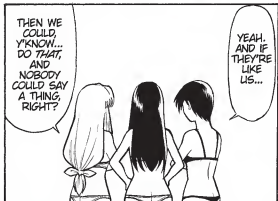
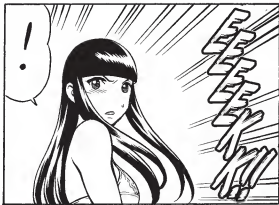
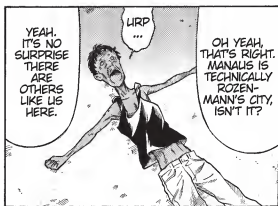
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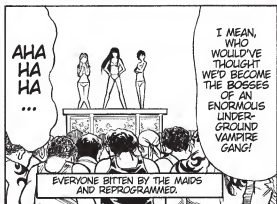
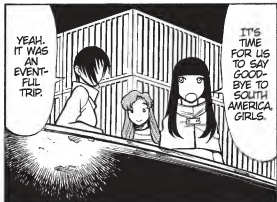
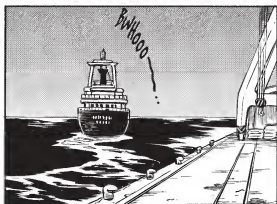
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DAYS LATER...



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Mina,
Queen of
the
Vampires.

It is by
Mina's
hand that
all will
come to
a close.

The
Mina
that
Alphonse
serves.

Yuki's
friend,
Mina.

The
Mina
that
Akira
loves.

And so, the story returns to its roots...

And the answer for which the True Mina searches will be found.